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Dismay over shelters

Rust reappears on seafront Victorian shelters just three years after major renovation

RUST has badly hit several prized Victorian seafront shelters in Weymouth less than three years after they were renovated.

Tens of thousands of pounds had been spent on the work, but white painted cast iron fretwork is now severely scarred by widespread unsightly

by Harry Walton

blotches of red rust which have also heavily stained paintwork beneath affected areas.

Weymouth and Portland council is not only facing a complete repainting job for the structures but has been forced to change the approach for current restoration work on four more shelters to try and prevent them being stricken by the same rust problem.

Conservation officer Colin Ellis said: "To have rust appear so soon after these three shelters were restored is very disappointing indeed.

"You are always going to get rust with cast iron in a salt environment, but it should not have happened this soon or to this extent.

"We are investigating what has happened and we have changed working practice for four other shelters being renovated to try and nip any rust problem in the bud."

Weymouth Civic Society

plans chairman Mike Martin said: "These things can go wrong and the important thing is that they are corrected.

"Weymouth's Victorian seafront shelters are part of the essential character of our Esplanade, so we are naturally concerned at their state.

"We wrote to the council about this rust problem because we were worried at what was happening and because we wanted to be assured that the council was aware of the problem and was doing something about it."

Work on the shelters forms part of the town's seafront regeneration scheme which is jointly funded by the council, English Heritage and the Heritage lottery fund.



■ VISIBLE effects of the rust problem eating into several prized Victorian seafront shelters in Weymouth.

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Your Week

CHRIS Meadows, 26, lives in Weymouth and works for the Magna Housing Association as the Co-ordinator of the Customer First initiative.

Chris grew up in West Dorset and attended Budmouth and Weymouth College. After a short spell working for the Department of Work and Pensions Chris took time out to travel Asia.

After returning to England Chris took up a job as a chef for a year before joining Magna in 2007. Chris is a big sports fan, following his beloved Manchester United FC and acting as player manager for Tuatara Bar FC in the Weymouth and Portland Sunday Premier Division. Despite being settled in his job for Magna Chris

hopes to spread his wings in the future and fulfil his ambitions to travel.

■ WHAT does your job involve?

Customer First is Magna's programme to help staff give consistently excellent service to all customers. There are a number of exciting projects that are born out of Customer First which I am lucky enough to get involved

In my role as co-ordinator. I organise the network of Champions and take forward initiatives and customer

■ WHAT is the best part of your job?

I really enjoy the variety of the job. I work in the role part time and also operate in Magna's Technical Services department - the planned maintenance division of the organisation. The two different roles in themselves provide plenty of variety, but the Customer First role in particular involves me liaising and working with many areas of Magna and the wider housing sector.

■ WHAT schemes are you currently working on?

Along with our Customer First Champions, I am working on a guide that advises staff on reasonable adaptations and tips to make what we say equally accessible to people with visual impairments, hearing impairments, men-tal illness, physical disability, dyslexia or learning disability. It is hoped that this will improve understanding, service and accessibility.

There is also a Dignity Champions scheme. We have set up a group of trained staff who are able to advise, support and act as a 'critical friend' to employees who feel that they have experienced issues of bullying and/or ha-

■ WHAT would be your dream job?

Well I guess lottery winner doesn't count as a job no? Well, I'd love to have been good enough to be a professional footballer, but more realistically it would be travel

■ WHERE is the best place you have visited?

Tough call. I love Barcelona. I'm a sucker for theme



parks, so Orlando was fantastic, but I think it would have to be Koh Phangan in Southern Thailand. It was a paradise island with amazing scenery and fascinating, engaging locals. I'll never forget stepping out on to the balcony of my bungalow seeing the magnificent blue of the sea lapping on the beach. I'd put my feet up, read a book and then wander into the town for a cocktail.

■ WHERE would you still like to go?

Everywhere! I really want to visit Northern Africa and South America, particularly Brazil and Argentina. Donations welcome



Info at a glance ...

■ WHAT do you think of Manchester United FC's

Despite my tender years, I was a fully-fledged fan years before our first Premier League title. My Dad is to blame;

he wasn't going to let me support anyone else! Unfortu-

nately it is looking like Chelsea's year for the title at the If I didn't play football on Saturdays then I'd be down

the Wessex watching Weymouth. The less said about their

■ WHO are the best footballers you've played with?

I've played with and against some good players in my

time, including a couple of ex-pros, but for me it's between a few good friends of mine that I have played with

John Lamb played for Weymouth during the Claridge era and now again currently. As well as being very skilful,

he has a great football brain. Tom Grattidge is an ex-

tremely talented young striker that plays for me on Sun-

days, but the best would have to be Andy Graham. He has

a great engine, every attribute you need as a player and is

■ WHO would be your three dream guests at a din-

Sir Alex Ferguson would be the first name on the list, just

to thank him profusely for what he has done for my

beloved united. Larry David of TV's Curb Your Enthusi-

asm would be next on the list, he is hilarious and I love

his inability to follow social convention. As for the the third guest, my lovely girlfriend Sarah did ask for a name

check, and I guess inviting her would be the ideal way of

doing so. However, Scarlett Johansson edges it I'm afraid.

■ WHAT was the last book you read, film you

Friends like These by Danny Wallace was the last book.

The Informant, or at least half of it. was the last film I

watched, it was awful and the last CD was The Doors -

watched and CD you listened to?

for years and are well known locally.

a cracking bloke to boot.

ner party and why?

Sorry Sarah.

chances this season?

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School bin fire

ARSON is being blamed for a fire which gutted a Weymouth school's shed used for storing equipment and wheelie bins.

Police believe the blaze at Holy Trinity Infant and Junior School in Cross Road started when unknown offenders set fire to a bin area in front of the shed and the flames spread.

Firefighters from Weymouth used two main iets to deal with the fire.

Anyone who saw anything or who has any information about the incident should contact officers on 01305-222222.

Stabbed in neck

A PORTLAND teenager was stabbed in the neck in an incident outside the island's Britannia Inn at Fortuneswell.

He needed stitches but has been treated and discharged from hospital.

Police are appealing for witnesses and anyone who saw anything or who has any information should contact officers on 01305-222222.

Cyclist hurt in collision

A CYCLIST was hurt after a collision with a grey Nissan Micra car in Weymouth.

The accident happened at the junction of Portland Road and Wyke Road.

The 33-year-old cyclist from Weymouth was treated and discharged from hospital with a bruised left knee and possible rib injuries.

Police are appealing for witnesses and anyone who saw anything or who has any information should contact officers on 01305-222222.

Cliff incidents

TWO climbers were airlifted to hospital after being hurt in separate incidents on cliffs at Port-

A London woman sprained her ankle when she fell near Blacknor South guarry and a Basingstoke man dislocated his knee while climbing near Portland Bill.

Spare some coins for a good cause

DOES anyone have any spare one, two and five pence coins for a good cause?

If they do then John Pearce of Alf's Fish and Chip shop on Chickerell Road, Weymouth, wants people to bring them in to his collection point at the shop

They will then be counted, the total will be generously doubled by Barclays Bank and the proceeds will go towards a day out with a free fish and chip meal for 150

John said: "It is a very good cause but we need as many coins as possible to help pay for the coaches.

"All we need is for people to bring their spare coins in to the shop and we will do the rest.

Town Green group fights on

A GROUP campaigning to save a town green in Weymouth from development has angrily denied that it is pulling out of the battle.

The Society for the Protection of Markham and Little Francis said it had discovered that rumours were circulating that it was pulling out of a High Court case on the green's future in

It added that other rumours even

been put in for the town green land.

Society chairman Gill Taylor said: "The planning department of Weymouth and Portland council has been contacted and has said categorically that there are no applications on the land designated as the town green.

"Additionally the society has not, nor has any intention of withdrawing from

"The community has pulled together claimed that planning applications had over the last few years. We have not all

come this far to pull out before the last hurdle. We will be there and we will be represented by our legal team.

"The High Court case is due to heard before a judge in Weymouth starting

"Fundraising for this is still continuing at a pace and the society has a number of fundraising events planned in the near future and anticipate meeting

Council operating survey postponed

Queen announcing the general election on May 6th has been served on Weymouth and Portland council returning officer Tom Grainger.

There are now just 15 days to go to the election.

Residents who wish to vote by proxy - in cases ople will not be in the area during the election - need to register by April 27th.

A SURVEY on how the council should operate has been shelved until after general and local elections.

The decision came at a meeting of Weymouth and

AN official writ from the Portland management committee where some councillors including chairman Mike Goodman felt the results were "very low" and 'not a valid survey for the views of the wider public". Figures showed over-

whelming support for "no change" with 361 responses against just 37 for 'a strong leader and cabinet" and 55 for "an elected Mayor"

Mr Goodman won a 6-4 vote to get any decision de-ferred "for the public to get another chance to speak".

He suggested that one

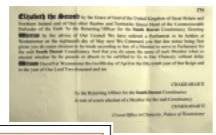
 later identified as the Liberal Democrats -

had campaigned on the survey which had perhaps led to it being "influenced"

But Liberal Democrats claimed that other parties only had themselves to blame if they had chosen not to get involved with the survey

Weymouth and Portland mayor Councillor Anne Kenwood said the survey had been "poorly timed" at Christmas when many people might have thrown it Christmas post.





■ THE writ of election for a new member of Parliament for the South Dorset constituency.







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Congratulations Kelly on the early but safe arrival of Keiron, cant wait to see him, love Tracey, Gary, Liam and Callum xx

Happy 30th Birthday Daniel Cox on 19th April Love from Mum, Dad and all the family xxx

Rona Bestwick Remembering you on your 71st Birthday (19th April) All my Love Albert xxx

Happy Golden Wedding Anniversary Nan & Grandad Lots of Love Beth & Oli

Irvin and Diana Beer Happy 45th Anniversary on the 24th April Love from us all



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New Scary Bones book launched in Dorchester

third story in his Scary Bones the Skeleton series at Dorchester's Dinosaur Museum today (Wednes-

Ron and, of course, Scary Bones will be in the museum between 11am and 12 noon to sign copies of Scary Bones Meets The Dinosaurs Of The Jurassic Coast and chat about his books. The museum's exhibits will provide some interesting and excellent photo opportunities.

Following on from the success of Scary Bones The Skeleton Meets The Pirates of Brownsea Island, this new story is also set in Dorset.

In this adventure Scary Bones, the very strange Red String, Sasha and Ben uncover a hidden doorway in the cliffs at Lulworth and, by going through it, enter a lost world of dinosaurs and argumentative cave men.

They meet an as yet undiscovered dinosaur called Durdle Doorus, escape the attempts by Ziggy and Zaggy, two very bad cavemen, and Tyrone and Albert, the two monster O'Saurus brothers, who all want to eat them for their supper.

With the help their friends Durdle Doorus, Dippy Ludicrous and Terry Dactil, they eventually escape both from being eaten and the lost world.

Poor Durdle Doorus, however is not so fortunate and the story ends famous Durdle Door landmark was created.

As with the previous two adventures, the book comes with a mysterious sealed envelope which should not be opened until the very end of the story.

This unusual feature of the Scary Bones Books is great attraction and incentive to children which are intended for reading to children aged 5/6 years and above and reading themselves by able readers up to the age of 12 years
The award winning Dinosaur

Museum is Britain's original dinosaur museum and the only museum on mainland Britain devoted to dinosaurs.

It features fossils, skeletons, and life-size dinosaur reconstructions dia displays to inform and entertain

Sue Bates, former chair of the Federation of Children's Book Groups, who has also reviewed the previous two adventures, made this assessment: "The Scary Bones' adventures are not just good stories, they give magical moments that will last in the memory for ever, and perhaps just a little bit longer."

Both Ron Dawson and Sue Burleigh, the illustrator, live in Dorset.

Besides creating the humorous and appealing illustrations for the

Sue is an acknowledged cartoonist and her cartoons have been widely published including in the acclaimed Punch magazine.

School offers free concert by potential stars of the future

FINAL YEAR students from the Thomas Hardye School will be performing a special lunchtime concert at Dorset County Museum on Thursday, April 29th and it's free.

Seven students are preparing for their final 'A' Level recitals and the concert is good preparation for them. As some of them are very accomplished musicians, this is a rare opportunity to hear some potential stars of the future in a beautiful local venue.

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Nuclear emergency plan test

A TRAINING exercise will be held next week to test emergency planning procedures for naval submarine berths at Portland Port.

The exercise, which will be led by the Ministry of Defence, will be held on Tuesday, April 27th.

It will test arrangements and responses in what Dorset County Council said was "the unlikely event of an incident at the port involving a visiting nuclear-powered submarine".

Portland residents should not be affected by the event but are being told that loud hailers will be used in and around the port area.

National regulations require the local authority to review and test its emergency plan every three years.

Dorset County Council and Weymouth and Portland Borough Council, together with colleagues from health, fire and police services, the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) and the Royal Navy, will all be testing procedures.

County emergency planning officer Simon Parker said: "Residents should feel reassured that we regularly carry out these exercises to cover a variety of potential incidents.

"As part of the planning preparations for this exercise, a flyer informing the public will be put up in shops and businesses in the area around the port.

"We wish to warn members of the public not to be alarmed by any increased activity at the port. Disruption will be minimal although a loud hailer will be used in the immediate area."

Testing is part of the Nuclear Accident Emergency Plan which is in place to react in the event of a nuclear accident occurring during the visit of a nuclear powered vessel to a port.



Boards preserve the history of Portland

AN important part of Portland's history is being safeguarded for future generations thanks to all-weather information boards.

The boards have been put up by Portland Gas Trust at the Old Engine Shed, East Weares.

The historical information points, paid for by a grant from the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs COMMA fund, describe how the Old Engine Shed and surrounding land was used in the 19th Century and what flora and fauna exists there.

Both boards are set in substantial Portland roach stone and reveal the history of the Old Engine Shed, details about Portland Harbour, how quarrying used to be conducted and the specific type of wildlife and plants that exist in the area.

The COMMA fund grant was part of a wider donation that the Trust received.

In all £4,000 was given for the purchase of work tools, skip hire, the removal of rubbish, dry-stone walling courses and the designing and installing of the information panels.

The Portland Gas Trust is committed to local initiatives that support education, geology and the environment.

Trust trustee Rachel Barton said: "These important boards give considerable insight into Portland's unique history and are one further step in the Trust's commitment to developing understanding of Portland and the surrounding area's unique geological and environmental structure.

"We think visitors and Portlanders alike will find them an invaluable tool for seeing how the area was historically used."

The Trust received charitable status in August 2008 and the highlight of its work is a £1.5 million project to transform the Old Engine Shed into an interpretation centre.

Situated on the cliffs above Upper Osprey, the centre will have an audiovisual room, display areas and café.

Skippers needed for glass bottomed boat

SKIPPERS are needed to join a team helping to run a charity boat in Weymouth.

The glass-bottomed Fleet Observer based at Ferrybridge takes passengers on trips up the Fleet and in to Portland Harbour.

Fleet warden Don Moxom said: "We have a dedicated crew which both runs and maintains the boat but we are short of skippers.

"The Fleet Observer runs seven days a week during the summer weather permitting and we really need more skippers so those we have got can have a bit of a break or go away on holiday"

break or go away on holiday."

He added that an umbrella charitable trust governs both the Chesil Beach Centre and the Fleet Observer which operates on a not-for-profit basis.

Mr Moxom said: "The vessel is very shallow draughted which enables it to get right in close to shore so people looking down through its glass bottom can see all kinds of marine life in their natural habitat.

"Thousands of visitors go out on the boat every year but we have to have skippers available to do so because they act as guides as well as steering the boat.

"Skippers don't have to have experience of this kind of craft because we can train them up."

Anyone able to help operate the Fleet Observer should contact Don Moxom or Angela Thomas on 01305-760579.



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Temporary skatepark treat for Portland



■ LIAM Sharod (left) and Charlie Clarke-Williams at the skatefest.

by Harry Walton

YOUNG people on Portland snapped up a chance to sample a temporary skatepark over Easter.

The Revive Portland project hosted a free skatefest at Osprey Quay near Portland Castle for local youngsters to try out their skills

Included in the activities

were ramps, quarter pipes, fun boxes, mini competitions and free professional coaching.

Portland Mayor Richard Paisley attended the event and said: "This was a fantastic Easter facility which was a great half way house ahead of a permanent state of the art skate park facility which is due to open nearby later this year." Revive Portland is a

legacy project, run by the community for the community, aimed at maximising opportunities presented by Weymouth and Portland hosting the 2012 sailing events.

Last year more than 500 members of the local community attended an ideas shop to post their wishes

on the Revive wishing tree and a new skate park for Portland was top of the wish list.

The South West Regional Development Agency (SWRDA) is building a permanent skate park in Osprey Quay, but it is still being completed so the Revive team arranged for the temporary Easter skate park funded entirely by local donations.

Revive leader Yvonne
Beven said "Once again
local businesses, community groups, charities and
individuals have been incredibly supportive of Revive. Everyone rallied
together to make this event
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Walkers step out for healthy hearts

By Harry Walton

DOZENS of people put their best foot forward to take part in the third Great Parks walk in Weymouth.

The event was being held in aid of the British Heart Foundation whose Weymouth and Portland president Peter Rendall said: "People tackled an eight-mile walk, a four-mile walk and a walk for toddlers which we called Their First Charity Walk.

"We were very pleased with the amount of people who gave their time to turn up and take part because it is a worthy cause.

"We are particularly grateful for the help and support of Weymouth and Portland District Explorer scouts who provided equipment and manpower and for the Brass Tacks band who provided music."

Among parks visited by the walkers were ones at Radipole, Lodmoor, Greenhill, the Nothe and Sandsfoot.

Walkers were officially started in Radipole gardens by the Mayor of Weymouth and Portland Anne Kenwood who said: "I thought the event was wonderful.

"Money is needed for research into heart conditions. It is so important."



■ WEYMOUTH and Portland Mayor Anne Kenwood gets ready to start the event watched by Peter Rendall (left) and dozens of walkers.



■ REGISTERING for the walk start in Radipole gardens.

Lodge supports lifeboat

DORSET Fairway Masonic lodge has raised £430 in aid of Weymouth Lifeboat.

The money was collected during a ladies night at Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy. Fairway Master, John Stockley, said: "I am a lifelong supporter of Weymouth Lifeboat and the lodge kindly agreed to donate part of the event proceeds to the craft."

Lifeboat coxswain Andy Sargent said: "It was a fantastic gesture.

"Funds are always welcome because we cannot function without them."

■ JOHN STOCKLEY (right) presents the lodge cheque to coxswain Andy Sargent.

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MANAGER Marie Trevett handles an exhibit during a Tudor day event at Weymouth Library.

Looking at Weymouth's Tudor history

by Harry Walton

SPICES were so expensive in Tudor times that just six nutmegs cost the price of a small house.

This fascinating fact emerged as centuries fell away when a Tudor day was held at Weymouth Library.

The display and exhibition were staged by Pike and Shot Events to let visitors know about Weymouth and Melcombe Regis's Tudor his-

On show were 16th century recipes, leather tankards, spices, pottery, spectacles, guns, swords, cannonballs, boxes, buckets, arrows, a long bow and a complete and very rusty suit of armour.

Pike and Shot director Dave Allan said: "The library asked us to stage the exhibition because we sell history and know a bit about it.

"Everything on show was reproduction because if the artefacts were real then they would be locked up in a display case and no one would be allowed to touch

"Our display allows people to handle the objects and get a feel for history.

Weymouth Library manager Marie Trevett said: "We asked Pike and Shot to stage this event because I saw them at a Tudor event held at Portland Castle and I was very impressed.

"The exhibition was funded by the Friends of Weymouth Library and it gave visitors a wonderful chance to discover a bit about local life from more than four centuries



MORGAN Love, 9, uses an ordinary wooden recorder to play a song written by Henry VIII.





A CRAFT fair at Brewers Quay, Weymouth, attracted nearly a dozen stalls. On show were a range of goods including bags, jewellery, cards, pottery, fabrics

Brewers Quay craft

Linda Hughes (pictured above) for organisers at Brewers Quay said: "This was really a starter event for us because it was the first time we have actually

"Judging by the response we got we will definitely be holding more because there has been keen interest."



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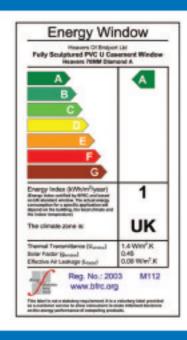
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AS I SEE IT ...

by Geoff Treleaven

Ultimate destination

T happened every year. Whenever my late grandfather had a birthday, they always played the national anthem on the radio.

However flattered he may have been, the greetings expressed by the announcer were for Her Majesty and not for him.

It has to be said that sharing a birthday with a famous person does nothing for our personal ego. At best, it is just an illusion.

However, time has a similar effect on us all; famous or not. We are all heading in the same direction. But some are further along the road than others!

As I am passing yet another 'milestone' at about this time, I should also be somewhat thoughtful because this one ends with a

For the young, time seems to be almost everlasting. But as time runs out (seemingly faster as we get older), we would all do well to give some thought to our ultimate destination.

I once heard a preacher tell how he had been stopped at a traffic census and asked about his journey. He said he wondered what they would have thought if he had told them he was going to heaven!

It would be good if we could all give such a positive reply.



■ WOW Youth Musical Theatre members delighted to receive a cheque towards the upkeep of their Park Street rehearsal studio, with chairman Stella New and fundraising committe chairman Kevin Butcher

Kids keep 'wowing' the audiences

FOLLOWING last week's successful WOW Youth Musical Theatre production of "That's What I Call Music 3", at the Pavilion Theatre in Weymouth, the group were presented with a cheque for £4,000 by the chairman of the fundraising committee. Kevin Butcher.

Mr Butcher said that the WOW studio, in Park Street, had been purchased with some foresight under the stewardship of the main WOW com-

mittee around eight years ago. The studio could have become a financial millstone for the group, but the continued efforts of the fundraising committee made sure this had not happened and it had become a true asset and prime rehearsal space. Mr Butcher continued: "The benefits of this were clearly seen on stage last week in a polished, well rehearsed dance and musical performance."

The next fundraising event will be

the "Singorama" at the WOW Studio in Park Street, Weymouth, on Sunday, May 9th between 10am and 8pm. It is a non-stop sponsored sing where WOW members and guests will be performing solo and in groups during the course of the day.

The music and dramatic pieces will be from all musical genres - so there will be something for everyone. The doors will be open from 9:45 and refreshments will be available through out the day.

Man exposes himself to jogger

POLICE in Weymouth are looking for a man with an eastern European accent who flashed at a female jogger as she ran through the Littlemoor area of the town.

The 18-20 year-old, man exposed himself and made indecent suggestions to the woman as she jogged along Louviers Road at about 10.15pm on Monday, April 12th.

Police are looking for a white man, five feet eleven inches tall and of slim build, wearing a navy coloured hooded top, dark coloured running trousers with a vertical white stripe and white trainers

Police Constable Stan Knight, of the Weymouth & Portland Safer neighbourhood Team, said: "The victim, a 31-year-old Weymouth woman, reacted angrily to the man and told him in no uncertain terms to go away.

Witnesses and anyone with information should call Dorset Police ion 01202 or 01305 222222 or Crimestoppers line on 0800 555111.

Ash traps teachers

FLIGHT delays caused by an ash cloud from an Icelandic volcano stranded several teachers and a number of pupils from schools across Weymouth and Portland.

A variety of sites were affected but all were able to make alternative arrangements to cope with the teaching shortfall at the start of the summer term.

Volcanologists warned that the eruption had taken a turn for the worse with more disruptions expected because of a fresh cloud of ash heading for Britain.

A spokesman for Bournemouth Airport said flights were severely disrupted and passengers were advised to check the latest situation before travelling.

Thomson said that it had cancelled all its flights today, Wednesday April 21st while budget airline Ryanair said that all flights up to 1pm this afternoon had been cancelled.

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Programme planned for French twinners

WEYMOUTH is to host a 30-strong delegation from its twin French town of Louviers.

The visit will be led by the Mayor of Louviers, Franck Martin.

The charter of perpetual friendship linking the Normandy market town with Weymouth was signed on April 4th, 1958, at a special meeting of the borough council at the Alexandra Gardens theatre.

The French party arrives by coach on Friday, May 21st and there will be an official twinning dinner on May 22nd at Cygnets Restaurant in Weymouth College where a typical English meal will be cooked and served by the students.

The dinner will be attended by three mayors including Councillor Anne Kenwood for Weymouth and Portland, Franck Martin for Louviers and Councillor David Thurston, who will just have been elected Mayor of Portland. The Mayor Elect of Weymouth and Portland will also be invited

After dinner, a group from Weymouth Operatic Workshop will entertain the company in a recall which follows their great success at last year's twinning dinner.

On May 23rd English and French members join up for a coach excursion around some of the villages of Dorset taking in Cerne Abbas, Bulbarrow Hill, Milton Abbas and Lulworth Cove. A buffet lunch will be served at Briantspuddle. The French delegation returns to France on May 24th.

Weymouth's Louviers Society chairman Ted Nicklin said: "We're looking very much forward to welcoming the French delegation and particularly look forward to seeing Frank and Guislaine Martin who have not been to Weymouth for a few years. It's always nice to meet good and longstanding friends again."

and longstanding friends again. Former diver Ted Nicklin joined the society in 1982 and was elected Chairman in January in succession to Cath Irving.



■ LOUVIERS' Mayor Franck Martin, wearing his traditional tricolour sash of office, with a commemorative plate presented to him by the Mayor of Weymouth and Portland in 2008. To the right is Weymouth and Louviers Town Crier Doris Eastwood.

Volunteers needed for sailing adventures

VOLUNTEERS are urgently required to help the Tall Ship Pelican with its packed summer sailing programme. Help is needed both on land and at sea and vessel staff are looking to their home port of Weymouth for assistance.

People are needed who can help with being tour guides, catering staff, engineers, carpenters, crew and with administrative support.

All voyages aboard the Pelican are one of challenge and discovery as well as relaxation and good living but it takes a substantial crew to deliver the busy schedule. Training and support will be provided.

The sailing programme includes a variety of day sails starting on May 12th.

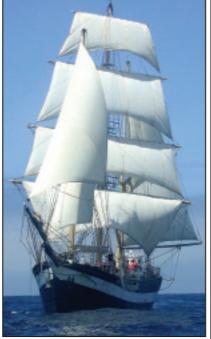
There will be four-day Channel voyages in May and June and the Tall Ships Races in July and August and volunteers are being urged to come forward to "sail away for a day or a lifetime" or just to help when they can.

Second Mate Ben Swain said: "The Pelican specialises in long haul and shorter voyages enabling individuals to develop their talents and realise their aspirations in an environment of challenge, excitement and teamwork.

"We depend on our volunteers to help not only sail the ship but to also offer support for the many tasks which are necessary to keep us afloat. The Pelican is a registered charity so we depend on our loyal volunteers for help and support."

The Pelican will be open tomorrow from 2-7pm on Thursday, April 22nd for anyone interested in volunteering. The ship will be berthed by Weymouth Pavilion to offer a friendly "drop in" approach where volunteers can take their time to meet the crew and discuss the opportunities available this summer.

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WEYMOUTH'S Chapelhay Play Garden Easter egg hunt has been hailed a great success

 $\overline{\text{More}}$ than 60 people attended the event and Asda supermarket was thanked for donating the eggs.

They were given out after children hunted about to find tokens placed and hidden around the Gardens.

Future events include planting sunflowers, cucumber and beans in pots to take home and making a herb garden for the whole community on May 2nd from 11.30am-12.30pm. Free snacks to show how herbs can be used will be on offer.

Compulsory licensing the only way forward says dog rescue founder

COMPULSORY dog licensing would be just one of a number of measures needed to ensure owner responsibility according to a Weymouth dog rescue owner.

Rushton Dog Rescue founder, Cindi McNeil-Regan, believes licensing would force potential dog owners to "think twice" about the responsibility of owning a pet, rather then buying one

The RSPCA is calling for the introduction of licensing after a survey commissioned by the charity found two in three people were in favour of the scheme. The survey follows a consultation on dangerous dog legislation recently launched by the UK government.

by Paul Crompton

two and half years ago, said she believed it would make it a better place for everybody if pet owners were forced to have a licence.

"It's an incredibly good idea because the problem is it's too easy to get a dog. But I think it has to apply to everybody. How they will monitor it I don't know," she said.

"I think the licence would make people more aware of owning a dog and put people off who say they cannot afford a licence or insurance.

"It should be that no dog is for free. It might be it is purchased initially for free but you still have to spend money on it. I think the insurance for every dog has to be affordable. "It would promote more responsible dog ownership. I take in dogs frequently from people who have a dog on a whim, they think 'ooh lets get a dog' and cannot keep it."

Mrs McNeil-Reagan also called for a scheme whereby potential dog owners were forced to take a short introductory course on how to look after their pets properly.

The RSPCA poll also showed 76 per cent of all the people thought a dog licence would help curb problems such as "puppy farms", stray dogs, stolen dogs and animal abandonments.

It is possible that a reduction in the licence fee could apply for more responsible dog owners such as those who have their pets neutered.



■ SUE King with daugher Sam, Dorchester town crier Alistair Chisholm, birthday girl Becky and dad Steve.

Hue and cry for Becky's birthday

DURING a recent fundraiser at the Dorset County Museum - part of a successful effort to bring some rare Hardy manuscripts back home to Dorchester - proud mum Sue King was the winning bidder in an auction of lots for a special personalised cry by Town Crier Alistair Chisholm.

Sue, from Wardcliffe Road in Weymouth, wanted to surprise her daughters Sam and Becky with an unannounced visit from Alistair, who generously donated his time, voice and writing skills to the cause.

The grand cry was delivered in style on Becky's 21st birthday, celebrating Sam's 18th birthday later this year at the same time.

Dad Steve, along with gran, grandad, friends and neighbours, also enjoyed a typical over-the-top performance by Dorchester's king of the vocal chords.

Becky, a former member of Weymouth youth theatre group WOW, is about to graduate from the Doreen Bird Theatre School and has just accepted a place at Trinity College of Music in London.









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Student factfinders on a mission to Beijing ...

WEYMOUTH College's Olympic student ambassadors have just flown out to Beijing.

During their trip to China they will visit sites from the 2008 Games in Beijing and Qingdao, the location of the last Olympic sailing events.

Polo shirts designed by the winner



by Harry Walton

of the Partnership 2012 Logo Competition, Georgina Goring, from Wey Valley School will be worn during the visit by the ambassadors thanks to the sponsorship of Stylish Stitches of Weymouth.

They will also be taking T-shirts as gifts for the students they meet in Qingdao which are printed with the motif designed by the winner of the Weymouth College 2012 Logo Competition, Catherine Batten.

The six ambassadors have already been out to visit local secondary schools in Weymouth and Portland to determine student views of the 2012 Games and gather questions to take to students in China. Among the top questions that people wanted to



ask students in China were: How did the 2008 Games change your view of the world? And what was different for young people in your area after the 2008 Games?

The ambassadors will be reporting back each day through their blog at: www.weymouth.ac.uk/ambassadors.



■ FROM the left are Weymouth College adult and community learning director Emma Cogan, Stylish Stitches partner Mike Saunders, Lewis Bartlett, Kieran Bosomworth, Jamie Richards, Nick Dyer, Lilly Markwell and Weymouth College Deputy Principal Paul Lonsdale. Another student ambassador, Marie Lochrie, was unable to be present.

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■ WEYMOUTH College travel and tourism students who visited Cyprus.

CYPRUS was the destination for 28 Weymouth College travel and tourism students enjoying a six-day study trip.

Each year the students get handson experience of the travel and tourism industry and this year they sampled the culture of Cyprus from a base in Limassol.

They also took guided tours across Cyprus to visit places such as Paphos, Nicosia and Larnaca. Other trips included visits to a fivestar hotel, Larnaca Airport and a Cypriot folklore night with traditional food and dancing, all to understand the variety of facilities and attractions available to visitors to this Greek island.

Students take this annual working holiday to enhance their studies and improve their knowledge of the industry and the destination.

College travel and tourism pro-

gramme area manager Janine Hodson said: "This was another very successful trip with all students from our First Diploma and National Diploma courses participating.

"They particularly enjoyed speaking to the Thomas Cook resort representative and the Cyprus Tourist Board as they really got a feel for what sort of job they could be taking up in the future."

Flora and fauna on the Fleet

A VARIETY of Chesil and Fleet events during May are being offered by the Chesil Beach Centre between Weymouth and Portland.

On May 2nd there is a walk to see breeding terns, waders and migrants, meeting at the centre at 1.30pm. No dogs should be brought.

On May 9th there is a chance to explore for spring flowers at Ferrybridge, meeting at the centre at 10am.

At this time of year many coastal areas are coated by a layer of pink as the thrift begins to bloom. Chesil is possibly one of the best locations to see this beautiful sight.

Finally on May 23rd people can join a guide to explore for fossils at Pirates Cove, meeting at Camp Road at 10am. As the tide falls leaving the Fleet foreshore exposed there will be an opportunity to search the seabed for fossils with sea urchins a speciality.

More information about walks is available from the centre on 01305-760579, the website www.chesilbeach.org or by visiting the Centre on the Portland Beach Road

Warmer water has seen the Fleet spring to life making it a great time for a trip on the Fleet Observer, the centre's glass bottom boat.

The Fleet Observer is shallow

drafted specifically to operate in the Fleet lagoon.

More information on the craft is available on 01305-759692, the websitewww.thefleetobserver.co.uk or at the centre.



EA thrift at Chesil





Weymouth Matters

A personal View by HARRY WALTON

■ THERE is early, then there is very early and finally there is ridiculous.

It was a Sunday and the café in question wanted to make sure that its customers knew it was shutting in the middle of the afternoon.

This was a little unusual since it was a warm sunny afternoon when a commercial outlet might have been expected to keep going and cash in on the conditions while it could before the start of the summer rainy season.

Instead customers were advised by a blackboard notice that the café was closing at 3.30pm.

Unfortunately such a bland notice seemed to be provoking grins and giggles rather than the solemnity required or even a grumble.

This may have had something to do with the fact that the café appeared to have neglected to clean its blackboard recently and beneath the notice of early closure was a heartfelt message....wishing all its customers a Merry Christmas!

■ GAMBLERS come in all shapes and sizes and, it appears, with all manner of haircuts.

One such young man had opted to have his hair sculpted into a sort of large colourful curve jutting from his head like a garish horn.

A very brave act since such a coiffure is not for the faint hearted.

But fortune favours the brave and his display outside one licensed premises was followed soon after by a rapturous entry, his fist clutching a betting slip.

He then roared out that he had just won £2,055 on the Grand National!

Now that's a winning perm if anyone ever saw one.

Name the giant fish and chip and win some for yourself!

F you had to pick one fast meal that supposedly summed up a nation then for England it would have to

We get through acres of spuds and untold shoals of fish every year, but I doubt there is a fish and chip shop in the land with a fish and a chip which are each four feet high!

But you can not only see these favourites of the fryer but try and choose a name for them at Alf's Fish and chip shop on Chickerell Road, Weymouth.

Owner John Pearce is hoping *View* readers can come up with a name for his giant chip and giant fish.

He said: "It is all a bit of fun in aid of our charities and we are hoping that *View* readers can come up with two names so they can each be christened.

"People can drop their choice of name off in the shop and the winning names will win two lots of free fish and chips each."

Introducing children to their environment

SMALL birds survived better in Dorset this winter than in other areas of the country because the county escaped most of the snow.

Figures from the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch saw 530,000 people count more than 8.5 million birds, recording 73 species in 280,000 gardens across the UK.

Dorset results showed that the long-tailed tit clung on to tenth place, suggesting that it was getting used to feeding on bird cake and feeders hung up in county gardens.

But long-tailed tits and other small birds such as the coal tit and the goldcrest suffered nationally with a "significant" drop in numbers.

Top of the Dorset numbers list was the house sparrow followed by blackbirds, blue tits, chaffinches, woodpigeons and starlings.

This year more than 75,000 schoolchildren and teachers

wildlife survey including pupils from Chickerell Primary School.

Year five teacher Karen Hocking said: "The children enjoy watching the birds and the challenge of identifying them. Big Schools Birdwatch is a great opportunity for them to collect and analyse real data and know they are contributing to a national survey."

Nick Tomlinson, who is site manager at the RSPB's Radipole Lake reserve in Weymouth said: "The Big Schools' Birdwatch is a great way to introduce thousands of children to the wildlife visiting their school environment. Wild birds never fail to enthuse and inspire and the response to this year's survey has been fantastic with many schools now running it as a whole school project."

Election fever? ... maybe not

YES, election fever is in full swing and there are some seriously busy politicians out there but voters don't seem impressed.

Conversation everywhere from pubs and shops to seafront shelters and park benches seems to include the general election, so here are a few of the snippets to come my way so far.

TWO pensioners sat chatting in the sun and one said: "Don't matter who you vote for. They've all got their snouts in the trough."

The other replied: "Yes, but you never see them get indigestion do you?!"

A GROUP of teenagers with one young man bravely saying: "No way I'm going to vote."

His girlfriend crushed him with: "You can't anyway, you're not old enough!"

TWO women chatting about holidays and one said: "We couldn't get the hotel we wanted but at least we'll be away for the general bleeding election!



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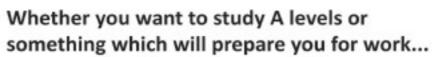
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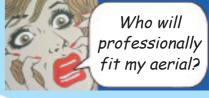


















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variety Tumbler. We also recommend an outdoor variety called Ferline, which has some resistance against potato blight, but make sure the frost has gone before planting out.

Not every one likes the hustle and bustle of a garden centre this time of year, in which case we cater for that also, you can visit our Beaminster branch called Little Groves. this is a pretty smaller nursery, with a garden essentials attached, it also grows much of its own plants specializing in herbs and aromatic plants as well as general nursery stock.

Finally, gardens are to be enjoyed and it

doesn't all have to be hard work, barbeques and garden furniture take up a large proportion of our shop this dime of year and we cherry pick the best products from a number of different suppli-

ers, again, to the taste of the Dorset Gardener.

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the sun is shining, it will be great to get out in the garden once the weather lets us. A stroll around your plot will soon reveal some of the tasks that need to be tackled over the coming months. The clocks going forward an hour has allowed for a little to be done in the evenings and the time should be spent giving the lawn a cut and removing some of the weeds which seemed to have popped up almost over night. But with all that needs to be done, do take some time out to enjoy some of this months garden treasures like camellias, magnolias, pieris and forsythia along with early pansies, primroses and polyanthus, tulips and fritillaries are looking good too. So read on and have a good month in the garden and we'll talk again next month.

Sowing & Hoeing, Feeding& Weeding BEDS & BORDERS

In the shurb border, prune spiraea hard to encourage growth. Its the new growth that will carry flowers. When you have pruned it, it should resemble a hedgehog. Heathers that have finished flowering should be cut back.

Roses should be given feed using 'Toprose', this can also be used to

other feed many

flowering trees and shrubs. Hardier annuals such as clarkia, ageratum, endula, aster, godetia and pansies can be sown di-

rectly into the flower border but don't forget to lightly scatter some slug pellets to protect the emerging seedlings. Hoe

to keep them under control, spray deep rooted weeds like dandelions i t h

'Weedol Rotkill Plus' ready to use weed aun.

Topical Tip Even out the avail-

ability of vegetables by sowing in succession. 'Little and often' is the key, particularly in the case of fast growing salads like radish and lettuce, and others such as beetroot which have a limited storage

RSPB Birdwatch

Small garden birds have been seriously hit by last winters cold weather - that's the findings of the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch. More than half a million people took part in spotting and recording more than 8.5 million garden birds over the last weekend in January. The Long-tailed tit would seem to have suffered the most, with declining 27% year on year. The

house sparrow, whilst still the most spotted bird in the garden is also on the decline with numbers down 17% over the last 5 years and 66% down on the last 30 years. Please keep feeding wild birds as their natural food supply is dwindling and they are increasingly relying on us for their survival.

Not Brassed Off!

Cold weather during this winter will have damaged a lot of plastic watering fittings. Water sitting inside them will have frozen, expanded and cracked the fittings and guns. Replace them with nice shiny brass fittings, they're weatherproof and on whole, cheaper than plastic.

Topical Tip

After sowing or pricking out seedlings, the compost in pots and seed trays should be watered

with 'Bayer Cheshunt pound' to



damping (rotting) off.

Spuds & Onions THE FRUIT AND

VEGETABLE PLOT - In the vegetable garden, plant seed potatoes if you haven't already done so along with onion sets and shallots. Late summer cauliflower, maincrop carrots and purple sprouting broccoli can all be sown now. Many herbs can also be sown this month, and these include dill, fennel, marjoram and thyme. Parsley sown now will benfit from being drenched with boiling water to break the seed and speed up germination, but do be careful with the water. Young seedlings should be covered over with fleece if frost is forecast. Fruit plants should be pro-

tected with a regular spraying programme from hud

burst right through the season to see off pests which plague them. Check goosberries for mildew and spray at the first sign of

Syothane Funglolde'. Net bush fruits like currants to stop birds stripping the buds. Pull long stems of forced

rhubarb and cover other crowns to earlier encourage crops. Prune fantrained plums, peachers. cherries and nectarines.

In the Greenhouse Sowing and planting

should be in full swing during April with ten-

der bedding waiting for the warmer days later in the month. The warmer days will bring

a dramatic rise in temperature in the greenhouse and you may need

to put 🛭 on some shading to protect your plants. On hotter davs damping down will provide

great benefits by increasing humidity and reducing evaporation from the leaves. It can deter also early colonies of 'Red Spider Mite'. Watch out for whitefly and hang up sticky Greenhouse Whitefly Traps at the

first sign. Whitefly are attracted to their bright yellow colour.

For Ever Green

April is the first month of the year when weed killer can be safely applied to the lawn. If weeds are present use

'Everareen Complete 4 in 1'. It will green the lawn up in just a week

or so and will also kill off weeds and moss. It will improve water absorption during dry weather, should we be lucky enough to get a good summer. April is the ideal month to carry out repairs to the

iawn using seed

Happy Houseplants Poinsetties should be cut back to about 1 0 c m

(4inches) and put in a spot where it will get good light. Feed weekly with 'Baby B i 0 House-

plant Feed'. Glossy leafed plants should be given a spring clean, wipe the leaves with housplant leaf wipes to remove dust from their pores and give them a fresh

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inative and different gifts, cards and lovely things for the house and conservatory.

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on hand to give advice...all in all The Garden Shop is hard to beat!

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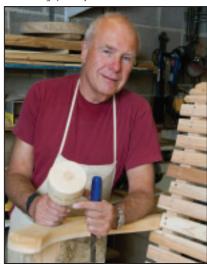
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The seats can be further personalised at an additional cost. Inscriptions of wedding anniversaries and carvings of much loved family pets are popular requests.



Martin will be sharing the venue 140 during Dorset Arts Week, which runs from 31st May until 13th June, with his daughter Lucy. Lucy is a nationally renowned artist who creates contemporary expressionist paintings of natural forms.

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began to learn his craft and at 12-years-old he performed his first tap solo to the tune of "Tiptoe Through the Tulips".

Dave is the first to admit that his singing

bered as the perfect dame.

"I did a lot of pantomime because I think that is the finest training ground that anybody can

good training because you learn to time your audience and listen for reaction.

"Then when you're playing a part, you know

to try and make it professionally, I was quite happy to do it at the level I was at. I think it was the adrenalin rush. There is not much in the world today to give you an adrenalin rush but theatre, especially if you are playing a main part, definitely does and I can't compare it to anything." Looking back at his

youth Dave wonders whether he did have what it took to make the move professionally but it is never with regret.

"I didn't ever want to become famous. My dream was to do what I have done basically and end up directing, although I haven't given up entirely thinking about taking roles.

"I'm enjoying directing and that was one of my aims. I have directed, although I say it myself, two very successful shows with the help of a very talented team and I'm doing what I dreamt of really.

After attending a summer school on directing musicals at Loughborough University Dave went on to produce his first show in 2008.

'The Boyfriend" was a sell-out production, which received rave reviews from both the local media and the National Operatic and Dramatic Association. A feat he repeated with "Anything Goes" in 2009.

Although relatively new to the world of directing Dave thinks he has identified some keys

"I think a director has to be a director and not a

with a reputation as a performer Dave had concerns when taking on the challenge of directing but he was confident in the people

ity because you are putting all these people up on stage and if you haven't got it right then you are not being fair to the performers so you

cabaret" he revealed.

"I wouldn't be able to direct it of course but that is an ambition I've

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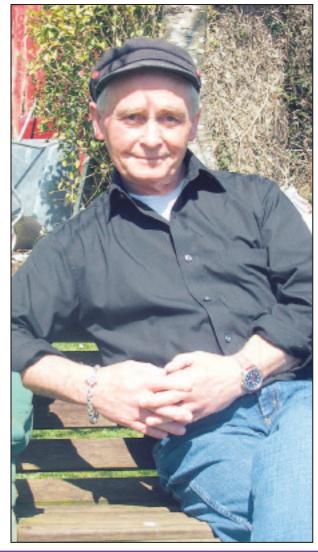
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whipped and 54 were discharged. Judge Jeffreys – having his eye on promotion was later made Lord Chancellor.

he Duke of Monmouth landed at Lyme Regis on the

When King James fell and William of Orange landed in Torbay, Jeffreys was captures and imprisoned in the Tower of London. He died in . 1689 while awaiting trial, probably of natural causes. Rumours at the time said he has been poisoned while in the Tower and that his body had been returned to Dorchester and walled up in the Courtroom - now the Oakroom

This 17th Century Oak panelled room has been carefully restored to maintain its character and



Today it is called The Oakroom and is a delightful tearoom, with a peaceful, tranquil atmosphere, replicating the style and service of a Lyons Corner House

The Oakroom of today serves a variety of light meals throughout the day and service is a high priority. The staff at the Oakroom pride themselves on their high levels of customer service, creating a warm, homely atmosphere where you can enjoy lovely lunches and of course, Dorset clotted cream teas





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New 'Cherub of the Year' Competition launched with a £10,000 cash prize!

Professional photographer, Greg Cameron Day has announced his immediate, local exclusive involvement in a brand new national competition to find the UK's bonniest baby.

"Cherubs" is the longest running and most respected baby photography promotion, set up by the Master Photographers Association in 1993. Tens of thousands of babies have been photographed over the years and Mums receive a complimentary Art Leather Folio with three photographs recording baby's first year.

Now, for the first time ever, a lifechanging £10,000 cash prize is on offer to find the baby chosen as 'Cherub of the Year'.

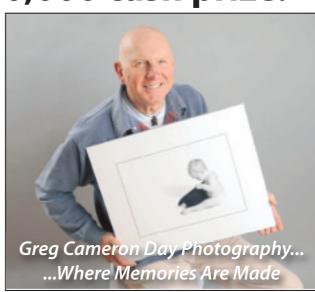
"As the exclusive Cherubs photographer for South and West Dorset we are very excited that the Cherub

of the Year could be a baby from our area and this new competition is a fantastic additional reason to use a professional (Master) photographer to record the key stages of baby's development," says Greg.

Greg Cameron Day has won numerous awards for his photography including the national titles of Under Five, Wedding and Pet Portrait Photographer of the Year.

In addition to the main prize, 20 runners-up prizes of £25 Shopping Vouchers will also be awarded on a quarterly basis (80 in total).

For details about how to register on the Cherubs Baby Programme, please visit www.cherubs.uk.com or call Greg Cameron Day at his Dorchester studio on 01305 267211.



Time to treat your feet with our April offer

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Festival countdown - Part III

THIS is the third and final week of our preview of this summer's big music festivals. Regular readers be assured - next time, normal service will be resumed!

One of the more local highlights of the August festival calendar is the Glastonbury Extravaganza. Not to be confused with the Glastonbury Festival, this event offers two nights of great music in the ruins of the

Madness play on Saturday, August 7th with support from Steve Harley and Cockney Rebel, whilst a classical night on Sunday, August 8th is headlined by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. Tickets are £30 in advance (£35 on the gate) for each night. More information is available at www.glastonburvextravaganza.com. And don't even think about pitching a tent in the grounds of the abbey!

But if you do want a festival you can camp at that weekend, the Big Chill Festival (August 5th-8th) takes place at Eastnor Castle Deer Park in Herefordshire and includes the likes of Massive Attack, Zero 7 and Kelis on the bill. Tickets are £155 and you can find out more at www.bigchill.net

The following weekend (August 13th-15th) sees the Summer Sundae Weekender takes place at De Montfort Hall in Leicester. This is the tenth year for the festival and acts for 2010 include The Futureheads, Tinchy Stryder and Mumford & Sons. Tickets are £105 and can be booked at www.summersundae.com

The **Beautiful Days** festival at Escot Park, near Ottery St Mary, is on the next weekend (August 20th-22nd). **James, The Wailers, Newton Faulkner** and regulars The Levellers are all confirmed. Weekend tickets are £100 (with camping) and concessions are available. More information can be had at www.beautifuldays.org

The Green Man Festival in the Brecon Beacons takes place at the same time. Headliners include *Doves, The Flaming Lips* and *Joanna Newsom* and tickets are £120 (again, there are discounts for students and teenagers). Find out more at: www.greenman.net

The two-day **V Festival** is on August 21st and 22nd. Taking place on two sites - in Chelmsford and Staffordshire respectively - the acts swap round after the first day. Kings Of Leon, Kasabian, David Guetta, The Prodigy, Cheryl Cole and the Pet Shop Boys are amongst the headliners of the festival's four stages. Tickets have sold out but you can still visit www.vfesti-

val.com to find out more, and go to eBay if you just can't miss out! Another twin site event is the **Reading / Leeds Festival** (August 27th-29th). Again, tickets sold out very quickly... eBay is your only option for this one. Headliners include Guns 'n' Roses, Arcade Fire and Blink 182. There's also a very special reunion performance from the *The Libertines*. Go www.readingfestival.com or www.leedsfestival.com for more info.

The same weekend you also have a choice of two dance festivals; one an old favourite, the other brand spanking new.

Creamfields (August 28th & 29th) in Cheshire has been going since 1998 and tickets for this huge multi-stage event are £100 (day tickets also available). Find out more at www.creamfields.com

Making it's debut is the London Electronic Dance Festival (or L.E.D. for short) in Victoria Park. Unsurpisingly, no camping is available at this urban based events. Tickets are currently available at "earlybird" prices: £37.50 for each night or £65 for the whole weekend. Visit www.ledfestival.net for more details.

Finallly, if you fancy braving the near autumnal weather, the Isle of Wight's second big festival of the year, **Bestival**, takes place from September 9th-12th. The popular four-day event this year boasts the likes of Roxy Music, The Prodigy, Dizzee Rascal, Hot Chip and The Flaming Lips. Tick ets are £150 each (concessions available) but don't forget you'll also need to book your ferry crosssing too! You can book at www.bestival.net

That brings our massive preview to an end. If you didn't come across a festival you liked the sound of, well, maybe pop music's not really your sort of thing? But you might be more interested in next week's column, all about my recent trip to - you guessed it - the opera! Until then...

by James Coles



Music takes centre stage now for Ade

ADRIAN Edmondson is best known as a comedian for his work in The Young Ones, Bottom, and The Comic Strip Presents. Despite this he is no stranger to the music world having played the Monsters of Rock and Reading Festivals with Bad News, the Hootenanny with Jools Holland, Hyde Park with The Who, and he's toured with The Bonzo Dog Doo-dah Band. He's also had a No 1 single with Cliff Richard and as a director he made lots of music videos in the 80's for the likes of The Pogues, Squeeze, Elvis Costello and 10,000 Maniacs.

Next month Adrian Edmonson will play at Bridport's Electric Palace with his band the Bad shepherds. The Bad Shepherds play punk songs on folk instruments covering The Sex Pistols, The Clash, The Stranglers, The Jam, Sham 69, The Undertones, The Buzzcocks, The Ramones, The

Specials, Talking Heads, Squeeze and many more.

Adrian spoke to View from reporter TOM GLOVER this week about how the band came about, what his punk hero would think of his new sound and what this all means for his comedy career.

Adrian Edmondson and the Bad Shepherd will be playing at the Electric Palace on Saturday, May 8th.

How did the band come about?

It was a bit of an accident, I acquired a Mandolin and got one of those dreadful tutors 'How to play the Mandolin' and it was so boring and so I just worked out a few chords and started playing songs I really liked on it and it sounded very interesting to me. I was working with Neil Innes at the time from the Bonzos and he said what you need is s*** hot white folk musicians so I went and found some and it kind of worked.

I spoke to Troy (Donockley) who plays our pipes, I didn't really know him I just sort of rang him up out of the blue and said hello this is Adrian Edmondson that t*** off the telly and I've got this idea for playing punk songs on folk instruments. The phone went dead for about five seconds and then he said that's f***** genius.

What can people expect to see?

Exactly what it says on the tin, punk songs on folk instruments. I like the noise of folk instruments. It's just a kind of ancient noise that hits you deep in your spirit but I don't really like folk songs, I find them all a bit boring. They are all about blacksmiths and jolly jack tar. The punk songs I find a lot more relevant. They're really like folk songs they are just kind of modern. They are still protest songs, they're still social commentary, they're still ballads, some of them.

Does your stage persona take much from your punk days as Vyvyan in The Young Ones?

Not really, Vyvvan is based on me when I'm drunk and sometimes I get a bit drunk but I don't go around smashing my head into things because that hurts

You're a big Johnny Rotten fan, would he approve of what you are doing with the music?

I think he would actually yeah. I know he is a closet folk fan. Troy used to be in a band with Maddy Prior of Steeleye Span, and they were in the same airport once and he ran across an airport lounge to kneel at her feet and pay tribute. He's got a lot of Irish in him old Johnny Rotten. We do a song by Public Image Limited called Rise, which is full of old Irish sayings, he's a folk songwriter really.

Was becoming a rock star an unfulfilled ambition for you? It's been an unfulfilled ambition since I was 13. I don't know anyone

who doesn't want to get up on stage and play music. Even the most boring kind of bank accountant type person is secretly harbouring de-

Would you have traded in your comedy success for musical fame?

Oh yeah, well I have. I've done a lot of strange musical things in the

past, It was all a kind of hankering to get into music and this idea actually works and doesn't seem stupid and contrived.

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It doesn't really have any kind of comedy at all. We are not poe-faced, we're kind of witty and humorous but it's not a comedy show. We are not taking the piss out of punk or the piss out of folk, we just like the noise that the two of them make together.

How does performing music compare to comedy?

Its much more fun. The biggest difference is that I appear as myself. I've always performed as a character before. I found that difficult to begin with and I filled in with a little bit of material but it just didn't fit in properly, I was just a kind of safety thing and I didn't really need it.

So does this mark the end of your comedy career?

I think that ended sometime ago. I think I hung my boots up about 10 years ago really. Certain things have gone on since then but my hearts not really been in it.

So there won't be a reunion with Rik Mayall then?

We keep talking about doing something in about 15 years but I don't think it will ever happen. I enjoyed my time doing comedy but I just had enough.

What are you most proud of in life?

Probably my daughters, my daughters are the things that fill me with joy. In my career I would say the best thing I ever did was Bottom, much better than The Young Ones I thought.

Growing up in the modern day do you think you would have taken the same career route?

No because there is a dossers course in music now, when I was 18 I $\,$ took the only dossers course available, which was drama. There are loads of dosser's courses in pop music these days and I would have been straight in there. My whole careers an accident and I don't think there is anyone who really plans anything.



Poetry for Pleasure

AS Shakespeare made clear in "Henry V", there was no shame in being a patriotic Englishman at the Battle of Agincourt. But things have changed somewhat since 1415. As George Orwell commented, "In left-wing circles it is always felt that there is something slightly disgraceful in being an Englishman, and that it is a duty to snigger at every English institution, from horse racing to suet puddings." In the sixty years since Orwell died things have not improved. The Irish and the Scots are proud of their nationality and the English too have every right to be proud of theirs, especially on April 23rd - on St. George's Day. In 2008, an anonymous soldier from the Oueen's Royal Lancers put this poem on the regiment's

Goodbye to my England

Goodbye to my England, so long my old friend Your days are numbered, being brought to an end. To be Scottish, Irish or Welsh that's fine But don't say you're English, that's way out of line.

The French and the Germans may call themselves such

So may Norwegians, the Swedes and the Dutch You can say you are Russian or maybe a Dane But don't say you're English ever again.

At Broadcasting House the word is taboo In Brussels it's scrapped, in Parliament too Even schools are affected; staff do as they're told They must not teach children about England of old.

Writers like Shakespeare, Milton and Shaw The pupils do not learn about them any more How about Agincourt, Hastings, Arnhem or Mons When England lost hosts of her very brave sons.

We are not Europeans, how can we be? Europe is miles away over the sea We're the English from England, let's all be proud Stand up and be counted - Shout it out loud.

Let's tell our Government and Brussels too We're proud of our heritage and the Red, White and Blue

Fly the flag of Saint George or the Union Jack Let the world know - we want our England back!

Somehow, we English need to re-capture our confidence and self-esteem. It might raise our spirits a little if a few of our defeatist politicians could be replaced by young men or women like this unknown soldier

The quarterly glossy magazine, This England, is sold all over the world to people who love this green and pleasant land. The publication is beautifully illustrated and is unashamedly patriotic. The current issue includes this poem from Kathleen Hyde-Chalman, a homesick ex-pat.

An English Memoir

I miss that ancient country Where I was born and bred Fond memories come haunting When I lay down my head. In dreams I walk the byways So beautiful in spring,

by Frank McGarry

Pealing 'cross the countryside I hear the church bells ring.

The long-lived trees of Yorkshire Have shed their winter's quise. Their tender leaves are dreaming Of sun-filled summer skies. The fields now freshly furrowed Bring seagulls from the sea High, lazy circles wheeling Their cries drift down to me.

Greening hedgerows filled with song, Spring flowers everywhere. Bluebells carpet woodland glades, Sweet perfume scents the air. Each colour of the rainbow, All shades and in between, A floral panorama Stage set on emerald green

Wild daffodils delight me Their golden trumpets sound, A joyful celebration 'Cause winter's southward bound. So oft' I dream of England Where once I trod the ways, Remembering her beauty Reliving youthful days.

If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: "Poetry for Pleasure", Lyme Media & Events Ltd, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3OF.

Or e-mail it to us at: pemedia@pemedia.co.uk

Variety in the Palace

'VARIETY in the Palace' on Saturday, April 30th is a fabulous family show that will be performing at the Electric Palace for one night only before it heads to London's Roundhouse for 5 nights, to play alongside circus greats such as Gerry Cottle and Trash City!

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A real family show, Variety at the Palace is suitable for little ones as well as Grandparents and features traditional skills such as clowning, plate spinning, juggling and music.

This spectacular family comedy show is rescuing the spirit of the end of the pier and bottling it for the generations of tomorrow.

Tickets are on sale from Bridport Tourist Information Centre on 01308 424901 £10 standard / £5 members and under 12s / £24 family ticket



It's A Pizza Party!

THE Electric Palace is throwing a party for the return of Jalopy Pizza and their new Australian team on Wednesday, April 21st and everyone is invited!

Jalopy Pizza, the creation of Katherine Locke and Adrian Emmitt, is a fantastic concept of high quality street food, using only the best possible ingredients. Each authentic pizza is handmade to order and fired in a wood fired oven aboard the original 1978 Peugeot van!

Jalopy Pizza and the Electric Palace teamed up last year when Gabby Hitchin of the Electric Palace approached Katherine with the idea, 'Jalopy have great tasting fresh pizza and we have a full bar and outdoor seating, I love the street life culture and thought the combination would add something to the town' said Gabby 'I phoned Katherine and asked her if she's like to pull up after the market on a Wednesday and she said ves without any hesitation!'

To launch Jalopy for the summer, Papa Le Gal will be playing at the Electric Palace from 8pm – admission is free.





Local History Centre Open Day

WHILE many people are familiar with Bridport's Museum in South Street, especially since it is open to all, free of charge again this year, you may not be so familiar with the "other half" of the Bridport Museum Trust - the Local History Centre at the Coach House, Gundry Lane.

For this reason, on Saturday, April 24th, they are opening the doors for a special Open Day, to give you the chance to come and see the vast collection of material they keep, relating to almost every part of Bridport and West Dorset's way of life, past and present.

Many people are already using the resources to draw up their own family tree, from parish or census records, for example, and you don't have to be local to benefit. The Local History Centre also have comprehensive access to national and international family records provided ancestry.co.uk and other internet websites.

Experienced volunteers and staff are always available to show you how to research your family whether you are a complete beginner or already have some experience.

But their resources don't stop there. They have articles, records, press cuttings and research materials covering; Houses to Healthcare, Maps to Markets, Railways to Ropes, War years to Weddings, Buildings to Boats.

Did you know that Dorset's Bridport is strongly linked to two other Bridports in the World? Do you want to see what your street looked like 100 years ago? You can view copies of the Museum's

10,000+ photos kept on site. They also have a reference library of books, articles, research papers on Bridport and West Dorset generally.

So why not pop in on Saturday 24th to get a flavour of what the Local History Centre might have for your interest. Otherwise they are open from 10am-1pm and 2-4pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and like the museum rely predominantly on kind donations, and volunteers to maintain and add to these services all year long.

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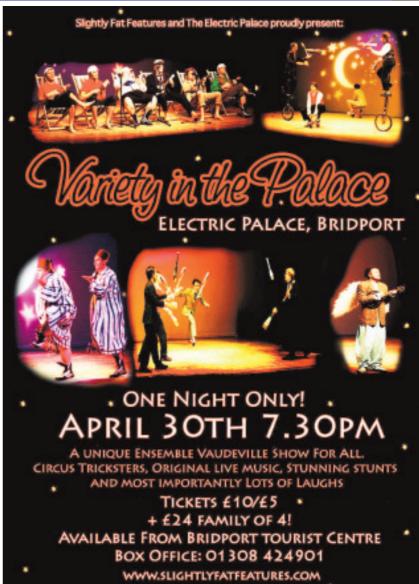
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A BIG shake-up is in the offing at EastEnders where some of the soap's best-loved characters are being axed as part of a shake-up of by new boss Bryan Kirkwood.

While the exits of Tiana Benjamin, Preeya Kalidas and Barbara Windsor have already been announced, six more of the soap's stars will leave Albert Square in the coming months.

Derek Martin, who has played Charlie Slater for a decade, will bow out later this year alongside Cliff Parisi's character, mechanic Minty Peterson.

Relative newcomer Liam Bergin will also depart the soap as his alter ego Danny Mitchell's machinations come to a climax in the coming months.

Speaking of his departure, Bergin said: "I've had a great six months working on EastEnders playing Danny. He has been a great character to play and without giving too much away, he's sure to ruffle a few feathers before he leaves Walford."

He continued: "Working alongside Barbara [Windsor], Sam [Womack], Rita [Simons] and Steve [McFadden] has been a real pleasure and I will enjoy watching what the Mitchells get up to as a viewer."

Kate Williams, who plays Owen Turner's mother Liz, will also film her final scenes later this year and is expected to exit in a storyline connected to Walford murderer Lucas.

And finally, Belinda Owusu and David Proud will leave their respective characters, Libby Fox and Adam Best, behind.

Details of exit storylines are being kept tightly under wraps but a BBC spokesperson said: "They'll all have exciting exits - and hopefully a few happy endings.

"It's sad to see characters leave the Square but obviously when a new



executive producer comes on board they're always keen to refresh the show and make some changes. It's the way soaps work, characters run their course and new characters come along."

The news comes amid gossip that a few familiar faces are set to return to the soap. Rumour

has it that Michelle Ryan will reprise the role of Zoe Slater, and actress Lucy Benjamin is tipped to make a comeback after seven years: "She has been in talks with them. Lisa is a great character and we look forward to seeing her back on the Square," an insider told the Sunday Mirror.

The BBC have so far declined to comment.

STEPHEN Fry has claimed that British television can learn from US drama.

The actor explained that American writers are better at pacing shows, according to Press Association.

"They allow the characters to develop very slowly over time and the smallest nuances of characters become huge," he said.

"We tend to throw it away in the first two episodes in England - everyone explains themselves too much. The Americans are brilliant at just letting if he"

Fry, who was celebrating the 100th episode of Bones, also praised the length of US series.

"There are not many British TV shows that run to 100 that aren't soap operas really," he said. "A true proper drama series that has this much longevity is something to celebrate. [Bones has] stayed true to itself. The one thing Americans are so good at doing is not overdoing it!"

by Philip Evans



How far would you go to destroy a Celebrity?

HOW far would you go to destroy a Celebrity? Creative Cow Theatre Company explore just how far in its latest production, Joe Penhall's black comedy Dumb Show, which it brings to the Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis on Thursday, April 29th.

Creative Cow has visited the Marine Theatre on several occasions over the last few years, with The Lovers, The Anniversary and Travels with my Aunt being recent suc-

cesses. This production of Dumb Show looks at issues of celebrity and privacy in today's world. Barry, a hapless TV comic, is a sucker for celebrity status. He's an easy target for "financial executives" John and Jane, with their promise of fat fees and the five-star treatment he deserves. Joe Penhall's explosive play, dealing with the excesses of tabloid journalism, and its manipulation of those hungry for fame,

was first performed at London's Royal Court Theatre in 2004.

Playwright and screenwriter Penhall, who won the Laurence Olivier for Blue/Orange, said about the play: 'The main theme is the exploitation of people's misery for entertainment, which is what we see everywhere in the tabloids, on reality TV shows, and on pretty much most popular TV. It's about the "tabloidification" of popular culture and the media. The fact that we've got that kind of media and that millions of people read the tabloids must say something about the kind of society we live in. We've also incidentally got that kind of government as well; we've got a government that prides itself on spin and manipulation. It's axiomatic that if you've got a government and a popular press that are wilfully

manipulative you're going to wind up with a society that's increasingly manipulative. That's the central assertion of the play"

Dumb Show will be performed at the Marine Theatre at 8pm on Thursday 29th April. Tickets cost £11 (£9 concessions), available in advance from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138, online at www.marinetheatre.org.

THE STRANGE CASE OF DR JEKYLL AND MR HYDE



JOIN us down the grimy, gaslit alleyways of 19th century London, where an appointment with murder awaits. For here, in one of the rat-infested taverns more commonly frequented by

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It is an inventive show which veers between gothic horror, high drama, slapstick and comedy - but it is its sheer invention that has made this production a sell-out in venues up and down the country. So come, if you dare, to the dark side and witness a chilling, thrilling and highly entertaining reinvention of this classic tale.

European Arts Company: The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde is at the Bridport Arts Centre, South Street, on Saturday, April 30th at 8pm. Box office: 01308 424204. Tickets priced: £10, £9 Supporters, £7 concs.

Concert in Thorncombe

THORNCOMBE based Indigo May are set to play at Thorncombe Village Hall on Saturday, May 1st. The concert sees the duo of Karen Turner and John Maybey perform Indian influenced vocalisation, songs and improvisation.

The concert will start at 8:30pm. Bring your own drinks.

ReView | The Beat Save it for Later with fantastic Bridport show

SATURDAY night (April 17th) saw The Beat play a fun, energetic set to a sell-out crowd at Bridport's fantastic Electric Palace.

The band, fronted by original vocalist Ranking Roger, alongside his son, the aptly named Ranking Junior (famed for his toasting on Ordinary Boys hit 'Boys will be boys') also featured funky original drummer Everett Morton, and former Dexys Midnight Runner and General Public keyboardist Mickey Billingham.

The band finally took to the stage at around 9.45pm, and were met with loud cheers, and 'Rude Boy' chants.

Kicking off the set with a risky choice of new groove 'Dangerous', the band had the Palace rocking from the off. Playing through hits including the outstanding 'Too nice to talk too', 'Hands off, she's mine', 'Best Friend', and a meddly of 'Get a job/Whine and Grind/Stand down Margaret' dedicated topically to Gordon Brown. The set also saw the band play their first hit, the Smokey Robinson cover 'Tears of a clown', the Neville Staples/Ranking Roger written 'Muscle Ska' - a dirty reggae groove written by two of the figureheads of the two-tone movement, and another meddly of favourites 'Rankin full stop/Mirror in the Bathroom', as well as a funky reworking of The Clash's 'Rock the Casbah', dedicated to the late Clash frontman Joe Strummer.

After a couple of minutes off stage, the band returned for a well received encore, playing 'Save it for later', and 'Jackpot', as well as an incredibly rap from Ranking Junior, which also saw Ranking Roger take to the drums.

The Beat are often overlooked when discussing the new wave/ska scene of the late 70s/early 80s, but on this showing these guys have a repertoire to rival any band of that period, and still have an impressive freshness to their live performance. And if you asked any of the Rude Boys or Rude Girls in attendance, I'm sure they'd agree.

Review by Rob Larcombe





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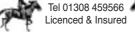
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But their plan goes horribly wrong when they are mistaken for the couple by two mobsters, who accuse them of stealing their boss's flash drive and threaten them at gunpoint.

Seeing no other way out, Phil and Claire lie about the flash drive's whereabouts, resulting in a hilarious night of action that leaves the couple closer than ever.



BRITISH historical thriller "Centurion" (15) is based on the legendary ill-fated Ninth Legion, as they march north to Scotland to wipe out the Celtic tribe, the Picts.

Set in AD 117, when the Roman Empires stretched from Egypt to Spain and as far east as the Black Sea, Quintus Dias (Michael Fassbender) - a survivor of a former Picts invasion - joins the Ninth Legion led by General Virilus (Dominic West) to attack the savage

But when the legion is ambushed on unfamiliar ground and Virilus is taken captive, Quintus struggles to keep his platoon alive behind enemy lines.

Released Friday, April 23rd

AMERICAN drama comedy "The Joneses" (15) tells the story of a picture perfect family that moves to a wealthy suburban neigh-

Their ideal lifestyle and luxury possessions are the envy of their neighbours, but in reality, the Joneses aren't what they seem. They're a mock family put together by a marketing company to sell high-end products to neighbourhoods using undercover tech-

The film stars Demi Moore and David Duchonvy as parents Kate and Steve, and Amber Heard and Ben Hollingsworth as teenaged children Jenn and Mick.

Released Friday, April 23rd

by Francesca Evans



CINEMA LISTINGS

Lyme Regis Regent **Broad Street, Lyme Regis** Tel: 0871 230 3200

Friday, Apr 23rd - Thursday, Apr 29th The girl with the dragon tattoo (12A)

Daily exc Thurs: (20.25)

Plus Wed: 14.45

Remember Me (12A)

Daily: (18.15)

Plus Sat/Sun: 15/40 Nanny McPhee & the Big Bang (U)

Sat/Sun: 13.15

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Dorchester Plaza 32 Trinity St., Dorchester Tel: 01305 262488

www.plazadorchester.com Friday, Apr 23rd - Thursday, Apr 29th

How to train your dragon (3d) (PG) Fri, Mon, Tues, Wed: 18.00 sharp Sat/Sun: 15.30 sharp Clash of the Titans (in 3D) (12A)

Fri, Mon, tues, Wed: 20.15 Iron Man 2 (12A)

Nanny McPhee and the Big

Daily: 17 40, 20 30

Sat/Sun: 15 45 Dear John (12A) Daily: 20.40 plus Mon, Wed: 15.45 A Single Man (12A) Daily: 18.20 sharp, Plus Mon, Wed: 15.30 sharp

Weymouth Cineworld New Bond St, Weymouth Tel: 0871 200 2000

www.cineworld.co.uk Friday, Apr 23rd - Thursday, Apr 29th Alice In Wonderland 3D (PG) Fri-Sun: 13.30, 16.10, 18.40

Plus Sat/Sun: 11.00 Mon: 16.10 Cemetery Junction (15)

Fri/Sat: 19.00, 21.20 Sun-Thu: 18 20, 20 40 Clash of the Titans 3D (12A) Fri/Sat: 14.00, 16.30, 19.00,

20 50, 21 30 Plus: 11:30, 21:30 (Sat only) Sun: 11:30, 14:50, 17:20, 19:50,

Mon-Wed: 14:50, 17:20, 19:50, 20:50

Thu: 14:50, 17:20, 19:50 **How To Train Your Dragon 3D**

Fri-Thu: 13:40, 16:00, 18:20 Plus: 11.20 (Sat & Sun only) Dear John (12A)

Fri: 13:30, 16:00, 18:30, 21:00 Sat: 11:00, 13:30, 16:00, 18:30,

Sun-Thu: 13:00, 15:30, 18:00,

Nanny McPhee & The Big Bang (U)

Fri: 14:00, 16:30 Sat: 11:30, 14:00, 16:30 Sun: 11:00, 13:30, 16:00 Mon-Thu: 13:30, 16:00

The Ghost (15) Fri-Wed: 14:40, 17:30, 20:20

Plus: 11:50 (Sun only) Thu: 20:40 Date Night (15) 14:00, 16:15, 18:30, 20:45

Plus: 11:45 (Sun only)
It's A Wonderful Afterlife (12A) 13:00, 15:20, 17:40, 20:00

Plus: 10:40 (Sat/Sun only) The Joneses (U) Fri/Sat: 13:35 16:05 18:25 20:40 Sun: 11:10 13:25 15:40 17:50

Mon-Thu: 13:25 15:40 17:50

20:10 Kick-Ass (15)

ALL LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT TO LATE CHANGES

Award winner bring new show Ernest and The Pale Moon to the Marine

company, Pins and Needles Productions, to the Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis on Saturday 24th April.

Inspired by the works of Edgar Allan Poe and Alfred Hitchcock, Ernest and the Pale Moon is a spinechilling tale of obsession and murder; from writer Oliver Lansley and the production and musical team
behind The Terrible Infants. Ernest spends his days watching the beautiful young woman who lives in
the apartment opposite. Upon seeing her with another man he is thrown into a jealous rage and driven the apartment opposite. Upon seeing ner with another man ne is thrown into a jealous rage and driven to murder, though all is not what it may at first seem and slowly Ernest's guilt sends him on a spiralling descent into madness. The piece contains narrative twists and turns, live music, inventive design and physical storytelling to provide a thrilling and terrifying experience.

The show is directed by local girl Emma Earle of Pins and Needles Productions, who went to Holyrood School in Chard and then onto Exeter University to read Drama. She also studied directing at the Bristol Old Vic Theatre School and now combines her theatre combines the strip of the province of the prov



mitments with community film work in the South West and nationally. South West and nationally.
Oliver Lansley is a published playwright (work includes The Infant and Immaculate). He also works extensively in television and is the writer of FM (ITV 2) starring Chris O'Dowd and Kevin Bishop; and Whites (BBC 2) starring Alan Davies. He is currently developing various other theatre productions and television series including a project executive produced by Ricky Gervais and Steven Merchant. Oliver was also recently named one of the Broadcast Hotshots' by Broadcast magazine and won the

'Broadcast Hotshots' by Broad-cast magazine and won the 'Multi-talented' award at Chan-nel 4's 4-Talent Awards. Ernest and the Pale Moon is at 8pm on Saturday 2nd April at the Marine Theatre. Tickets cost £11.50 (£9.50), available from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138, online at www.marinetheatre.org.uk or at www.marinetheatre.org.uk or on the door.

Ernest and the Pale Moon Saturday 24th April

Dumb Show Thursday 29th April

Die Roten Punkte

Thursday 6th May

Eclectica! Saturday 8th May

The Importance of Being Oscar Friday 21st May

Out of Chaos Sunday 23rd May

Something Fishy

Saturday 29th May

Dr Phil's Rude Health Show Thursday 3rd June

Benny Gallagher Saturday 5th June

Gulliver's Travels Friday 11th June

Mari Wilson's Threesome Friday 18th June

New Amen Corner Friday 25th June

Shakespeare's The Rape of Lucrece Friday 9th July

Bill Giles' Weather Show Saturday 17th July

For full details: www.marinetheatre.com

Book though our website - no booking fees for any tickets bought online on Monday 19th April Box Office: 01297 442138

MARINE theatre

Pirate Gold found in Lyme

CAPTAIN Richard Bedford of "The Revenge" is reputed to have pirate gold "in coins, in ingots and bars" in the hold of his ship - according to one song being rehearsed by Lyme Regis Operatic Society for their forthcoming production of "Golden Revenge". Roger Lane, an Excise Commissioner, calls at the port to stamp down on smuggling. He also demands that all should pay their dues and his men recite the tariffs for each imported item - just like the Notice on the Cobb. Lane inspects "The Saucy Sue" and "The Kestrel" but finds nothing incriminating, so the townsfolk taunt him before throwing him off the Cobb into the sea.

The plot of "Golden Revenge" develops with some factual anecdotes mixed with a little poetic licence to create a stirring local story written by the late Roy Deasy. Composed by Brian Manners, the society's

The Portland Steam and Vintage Show

May update from organiser Mick Mulley

FIRST of all I would like to say how saddened we all were to hear about the death of Ian Norris. We will be dedicating this year's show to his memory, lan was a valued member of the Committee and he will be greatly missed.

Southwest Coaches will be running an Hourly bus service both Saturday and Sunday from Weymouth Seafront calling at all stops to Southwell Park. This year Bus Passes will be taken, the timetable will be available from Mav.

We are still on the lookout for volunteers to help before and during the show.

We are also looking for sponsors for various sections to help with the cost of setting up the show For details of sponsorship and volunteering and any other details of the show please ring 01305 822728, visit www.theportlandsteamshow.co.uk or Email psvs@talktalk.net.

President and a past Head of Music at Woodroffe School, the music is a constant joy. Every page brings some new, interesting and memorable pleasure. There are plenty of Tudor influences with some haunting passages for the ladies when the men are away at war against the Spanish Armada. Also there is a special recognition for Lyme's twin town, Bermuda, with a sultry number in calypso style. As one would expect at the time of the defeat of the Armada, there are some rousing patriotic choruses which the thirty or so singers give full measure.

"Golden Revenge" will be presented at The Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis, from Tuesday 11th to Saturday 15th May 2010.

More information is available from the Secretary, Mrs Jean Wellings, on 01297 443382, or Committee member, Pauline Beviss, on 01297 33903.

Auditions to be held for **Bridport Musical** Theatre's *Showstoppers*

AUDITIONS will start this week for Bridport Musical Theatre Company's next production

Their latest show, "Showstoppers" finished just last week but already preparations are underway for the next. This Sunday, April 25th at 2pm the group will be holding a read through session. This will be a chance to view the script for the first time and listen to the music from

The following week, on Sunday, May 2nd, auditions will be held for character parts and dancers, the show requires at least a basic background in tap dancing for the dancers. Auditions for character parts will be at 10am and dancers will audition at 2pm. The show will run from 31st August to Sep-

tember 4th 2010. All sessions will be held a **Bridport Youth Centre.**



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2010 TIMETABLE

Opening Saturday 24th April

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Monday	12.30-1.30pm 6.00 - 7.00pm 7.00 - 8.00pm	Aqua Mobility Open Session Adult Session					
Tuesday	6.00 - 7.00pm 7.00 - 8.00pm	Open Session Adult Session					
Wednesday	7.00 - 8.00am 11.30-12.30pm 12.30- 1.20 pm 4.00 - 5.00pm 6.00 - 7.00pm 7.00 - 8.00pm	Early Bird Session Aquacise Adult Session (60+ free) Lane Swimming (U165 Free) Open Session Adult Session					
Thursday	6.00 - 7.00pm 7.00 - 8.00pm	Open Session Aquafit					
Friday	12.30- 1.20 pm 6.00 - 7.00pm	Gentle Exercise Open Session					
Saturday	10.00 – 11.00am 2.00 – 3.00pm	Open Session (U16s Free) Open Session					
Sunday	10.00 – 11.00am 11.00 – 12.00pm						

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Diary Dates

BRIDPORT: Casterbridge Male Voice Choir and other soloists at 7.30pm at St Mary's Church, Bridport. tickets £6 in advance from The Music Shop, South Street, Bridport or £7 on the door. Wine and nibbles included. Telephone 01297 33158 for

Dorchester: Concert with Ed Hintz as Elton John and supporting acts. From 7.30pm at Thomas Hardye School Theatre. Fundraising for student to volunteer

in South Africa, telephone 07981 011314 for more details.

BRIDPORT: Illustrated Talk by Christine Shaw: "Capetown to Victoria Falls" in a truck called Isabel. From 7.30pm. at Bridport United Church Hall. Tickets £3 in aid of Action for Children. Telephone 01308 424551 for more details.

LYME REGIS: Judging of three slide competitions at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details. Organised by Lyme bay Photographic

Puncknowle: St Georges Day QUIZ NIGHT in Puncknowle and Swyre Village Hall. Organised by Sid Marshall.

SATURDAY APRIL 24TH

Braddole: Braddole Social Club presents 'Elvis' with supporting Disco. Heath Aston, winner of GMTV's 'Search for Elvis'. From 8.30pm, not to be missed.
Briddolf: Jumble Sale at Briddort United Church Hall from 10am. Telephone 01308 485225 for more details. Organised by Askerswell

TOLLER PORCORUM: "Spring Greens" - Foraging & Wild Food Course. 9:30am - 5:00pm. Contact info@hedgerow-harvest.com or visit www.hedgerowharvest.com

Bridder: A Paddle along the Piddle - an illustrated talk by speaker Anne King, retired Deputy Warden of Leeson House Field Studies Centre. Presented by the Golden Cap Centre of the National Trust at Bridport United Church Hall, Easter Street, From 7,30pm, All welcome, telephone 01308 863577 for more details.

SATURDAY MAY 1st

DORCHESTER: Quangle Wangle Concert in aid of Help the Aged Dorset at United Church from 7.30pm. Advanced tickets from 01305 768635 or www.wegottickets.com. For more information visit www.qwchoir.co.uk/ BRIDPORT: Allington Strings Spring Concert/Vivaldi 4 Seasons from 7.30pm at St John's Church, West Bay. Telephone 01308 455617 for more details.

PUDDLETOWN: Dorset Plant Heritage Plant Sale at Athelhampton House near Pud-dletown. Specialist nurseries, free parking, refreshments, an opportunity to look round the lovely Grade 1 listed gardens and to buy rare/unusual plants! Admission free to members, concessions with Plant Heritage programme leaflets. Tele phone 01305 848224 for more details.

BRIDPORT: Big Cash Prize Charity Quiz at the King's Head, Bradpole from 8.30pm prompt. £10 per team (max 4 per team). Tere will also be a raffle and Chinese bingo. All proceeds to Joseph Weld Hospice. Book on 01308 425023 or 422520. Mosterton May Fayre at Mosterton Village Hall from 1.30pm. Tele phone 01308 868631 for more details.

SUNDAY MAY 9TH

LITTON CHENEY: A Bit of ADo 2. Step back in time for a lazy afternoon fundraising event that promises you an array of historic vehicles, car rides, homemade clot ted cream teas, pimms, stalls and the Rex Trevitt Big Band...you are invited to wear vintage dress to add to the event, though this is not compulsory! Some thing For everyone, and all are welcome. The event will kick off with a historic vehicle run at an earlier time from bridport, for further details of this please contact martin bell on 07939 172 615. At Litton Hall, School Lane.

FRIDAY MAY 21st - SUNDAY MAY 23rd

LITTON CHENEY: Argentine Tango at Litton & Thorner's Community Hall. Telephone 01300 320007 for more details.

WEDNESDAY MAY 26TH

Dorchester: Casterbridge Male Voice Choir open workshop. From 7 - 9pm at St Marys's Church Hall. Telephone 01305 774857 for more details.

Weyмoutн: Teddy Bears Picnic - free. At Greenhill Gardens from 2pm - 4.30pm. Telephone 01305 833469 for more details.

SALWAY ASH: Car Boot/Table Top Sale - come rain or shine! Gates/doors open at 2pm. £5 per vehicle or table. At Salway Ash Village Hall. Sellers arrive at midday. Entrance is freel. Telephone 01308 488170 or 488308 for more details.

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'LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS' COMES TO LYME

Night of the Proms' and longed to be part of it? Whilst the Woodmead Hall is no Albert Hall, the Lyme Regis Town Band will be creating a strong flavour of this world-famous event next Saturday evening, April 24th, starting at 7.30 p.m.

Compered by Richard Horobin, the concert will provide music for all tastes, as the band showcases some of the best of English music in celebration of St George's Day. The stirring opening fanfare and national anthem will set the scene and the programme which follows ranges from well-known folk songs in 'Songs of the Land of St George' to a medley of Cliff Richard's greatest hits.

Principal cornet player Peter Hurdwell has often entertained Lyme's summer visitors with the 'Post Horn Gallop' and this will be a feature of the evening. Other solos are included, from band Chairman Jan Long on soprano cornet and John Warr on euphonium. John will play an arrangement of 'Blaydon Races' by Seaton resident and doyen of the brass band world, Gordon Langford. Bass solos are rare, but Paul Snowball will perform an unusual piece called 'Tuba Smarties'.

Without doubt, audience participation will play a vital role in this concert. If you enjoy a good sing, you can exercise your lungs in a medley of English songs which will feature many nostalgic favourites, including 'White Cliffs of Dover' and 'There'll always be an

Of course, there can only be one possible finale: 'Land of Hope and Glory' and this will be the audience's last chance to put their flags of St George to good use! It will undoubtedly provide a rousing and



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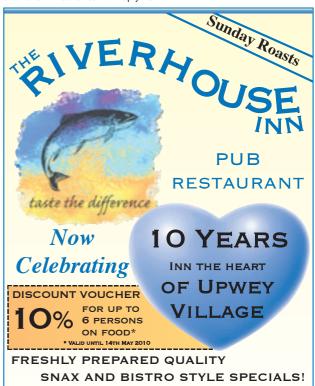
This Saturday - 24th April 2010 @ 9pm Tickets £8 in Advance - £10 on the Door To Reserve Tickets Call - 01305 771600

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emotional end to the evening, bringing a strong taste of the Proms to West Dorset.

Tickets should be available on the door, but to avoid disappointment, book them in advance from Uplyme Post Office, Lyme Regis TIC, Primary Colours in Lyme Regis, any band member or by telephoning 01297 442719.



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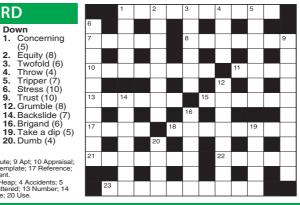
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Last week's solution
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19 Art; 21 Agree; 22 Present.
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Foreign; 16 Grant; 18 Cure; 20 Use.



CIRCLEGRAM

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be re-arranged to form words with a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION: The letter represented by the question mark is M. Cambodia, Malaysia, Vietnam, all South East Asian countries.

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The award was announced by Phil Spencer, presenter of Channel 4's Location, Location property programme at a lavish luncheon & ceremony in Mayfair, London attended by 450 of the UK's top estate and letting agents.

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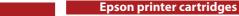


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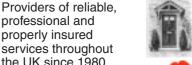
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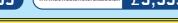


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Chard United 1 (S.Scriven) Forton Reserves 4 (L.Richardson 2, M.Brown, D.Fowler)

Wednesday, April 14th DIVISION ONE

DIVISION ONE
Forton Rangers 1 (J.Smith) Winsham
United 2 (H.Broome, S.Richards), Lyme
Reserves 2 (D.Thirlwell, F.Thomson)
Netherbury 0, Perry St Res 1 (L.Riste)
Ilminster Colts 1 (abandoned 65min – Riste injury. League to confirm if result is

Thursday, April 15th PREMIER

Lyme Regis 1 (M.Darby pen) White Horse

DIVISION TWOBeaminster Res 0 Forton Rangers Res 2

(L.Richardson, M.Brown) DIVISION THREE

Combe A 0 Luso-Chard 1 (A.Prudensio) Crewkerne Res 1 (I.Wallis) Crewkerne

Saturday, April 17th DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP **Round Three**

THERE were two weekend cup shocks. The first occurred at the Memorial Ground where Division Two outfit Beaminster Reserves knocked-out Division One promotion chasers Forton

After a goal less 90 minutes, the wining strike came in the 100th minute when Dan Pyett crossed for Ross Pick-etts to toe poke home his 17th goal of

Earlier Beaminster keeper John Bailey pulled off a stunning penalty save to crown a Man-of-the-Match perform-

ance.
The result was made even more sur prising due to The Rainbows' defeat at the hands of the Forton Reserves team just 48 hours earlier!

Meanwhile there was a similar outcome in the other Division Two v One encounter at Norton where the hosts shot down Winsham United 2-1. The teams end all square at 1-1 after 90 min-utes with Paul Churchill on target for the hosts and Ryan Partridge replying. The winner came two minutes from the end of extra-time from Aaron Purnell.

Farway United may just be the team to watch in this competition. The Devoni-ans were in sparkling form as they ham-mered last season's runners-up Ilminster

Netherbury had few problems in seeing off Division Three high-fliers Crewkerne Rangers. A Dan Rawlings strike separated the teams at the interval be-fore Steve Coombes broke his duck for the seasons with the goal of the game a scorcher into the top corner. Adam Sorrell completed the scoring with a third late on as Rangers seven game unbeaten run came to a predictable end.
Saturday's other two ties produced an

incredible 23 goals.

South Petherton Reserves and Millwey Rise locked horns for the second time in a week. Hosts at Pethy exacted revenge a week. Rosts at retrify exacted revenige for last weekend's 4-0 drubbing at Mill-wey with an impressive 6-4 extra-time victory. Millwey were on the ropes at the break as they trailed 3-0. But goals form Danny Larcombe and a 30-yard cracker from Michael Knight in a seven minute purple patch seemed to have turned the tie. Pethy extended their lead to 4-2 on the hour but back came Rise through player-manager Shane Featherstone and Ian Hall. But the wind came out of the Millwey sails in the extra-period.

But if its goals you want the place to be on Saturday was Oxleaze where West & Middle Chinnock and Perry Street Reserves traded 13!

It was 4-2 to Street at half-time. The visitors pouncing four times on poor defending at corners. The Chinnocks stayed in the running at 2-1 and 3-2 through Ashley Lock and Nick Eckland. Quick strikes after the restart from

Mark Cawley, Damon Hallett and lan Masters saw the hosts finally get their noses in front at 5-4. Back came the Greens the ties things up before Eckland grabbed his second. Astonishingly the Mothers responded again to leave the tie balanced precariously at 6-6. The Chinnocks quarter-final slot was finally sealed by Aaron Langdon in the 85th

YET another shut-out from the Lyme Regis defence has taken the Seasiders a step closer to their fifth Premier Division title after a 1-0 win over Perry Street at the Davey Fort.
The visitors must have feared the

worst with the Lyme machine purring along on a 12-game unbeaten run and having been thumped 9-0 and 9-1 on their last two visits to the West Dorset

coastal ground.
But lan Hilton's side acquitted them selves well and strikers Kris Groves and Ben Stevens forced a couple of anxious moments from Ashley Caddy and his defence which has now gone 590 min

utes without being breached.
The winner came in the 18th minute when Joe Bond ended a barren spell with 17th of the season

South Petherton maintained their title hopes with a 4-3 win at Barrington. Top scorer Rich Hebditch gave Pethy an interval advantage which strike partner Jody Bovey doubled after the restart. Rob Stubbins headed home a third for Karl Diment' side with the winner, and pick of the goals, coming from a 25-yarded from Paul Holt. The hosts, who trailed 4-1 with five minutes remaining, put in a fine performance with Man-of-the-Match Gary Stranger (2) and Mark Harrison finding the net. There was even time for late drama when Paul Thresher bundled home what appeared to be a leveler only for referee Shaun Annetts to correctly rule the 'goal' out for a foul.

Beaminster are also not out the running just yet. The Rainbows had little dif-ficulty in crushing relegated Charmouth 5-0 at Barrs Lane. It was all over at halftime with Murray Legg (2), Sam Crocker and Tristan Gale on the score sheet. Ben ward added a fifth after the restart for Beaminster whose player-manager Paddy Ford confirmed to *View Sport* that he would be standing down at the end of the season. Ford, who has been in sole charge for three seasons following a two-year stint as joint manager alongside Roger Maidment, hasn't vet decided whether he will continue in a playing only capacity next season.

Several names are believed to be in the frame to take up the role including South Petherton number two Gordon Childs and ex-manager Shaun Annetts.

White Horse did their Premier Division survival hopes a significant boost with a shock 4-1 win at floundering Merriott

Rovers took an early lead through Haydn Smith but Horse were back on equal terms at the break courtesy of Colin Paul. It was one-way traffic after the restart with Horse galloping to their biggest win of the season and closed to within three points of relegation rivals Crewkerne Town with second-half goals from Russell Weller (pen), Richard Pin-

combe and John Kingston.

Misterton all-but banished any rele gation fears with a 5-1 thrashing of minster Reserves

Premier	PW	D	L	F APts
Beaminster	1713	1	3	65 17 40
Lyme Regis	1513	1	1	40 11 40
South Pethertn	1411	2	1	61 12 35
Ilminster Res	18 8	4	6	51 33 28
Barrington	18 8	3	7	36 45 27
Misterton	19 7	4	8	33 39 25
Merriott Rovers	16 8	0	8	33 41 24
Perry Street	20 7	3	10	36 52 24
Combe Res	18 6	2	10	32 38 20
Crewkerne	18 5	3	10	38 47 18
White Horse	17 4	3	10	30 43 15
Charmouth	20 0	4	16	22 99 4

DIVISION ONE

THE relegation battle at Horseshoe Lane saw Pymore claim what could prove to be a crucial point as they recovered from trailing 3-0 to draw 3-3. Lee Fisher (2) and Stuart Bicknell appeared to have eased the Thorns relegation worries but the West Dorset side battled away and got their reward thanks to goals from Leigh Hansford (pen), Mike Scrivin and

Division One	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	Pts
W & M Chinnock	<12	9	2	1	48	25	29
Farway United	14	7	5	2	34	17	26
Winsham United	114	8	2	4	34	26	26
Forton Rangers	15	8	2	5	30	24	26
Netherbury	15	7	3	5	35	25	24
Ilminster Colts	11	7	3	1	25	17	24
Thorncombe	15	3	3	9	28	33	12
Perry St Res	12	3	2	7	27	35	11
Lyme Regis Res	13	3	2	8	30	41	11
Chard Rangers	16	3	1	12	25	61	10
Pymore	11	2	3	6	15	27	9

DIVISION TWO

UPLYME appeared to be cruising to a big victory as they led Drimpton 5-2 at half-

But the Swallows took their collective foot off the pedal and allowed the hosts. searching for their first home win in a year, to close to 5-4 before falling just short of a point.

Adam Neale continued his good form for Uplyme with two goals – the others came from Gavin Fowler (2) and Alex Cottle

Drimpton will be relegated if South Petherton Reserves avoid defeat against Norton last night (Tuesday).

Division Iwo	P	W	υ	L	r	Α	rts
Millwey Rise					50		
Norton Athletic	151	10	1	4	55	29	31
Dowlish & Don	16	8	2	6	57	42	26
Forton Reserves	16	7	4	5	33	28	25
Hinton	18	7	3	8	44	42	24
Shepton Beau	13	7	2	4	40	19	23
Beaminster Res	14	7	2	5	35	32	23
Uplyme	16	6	2	8	39	45	20
South Peth Res	14	3	6	5	32	33	15
Drimpton	17	2	1	14	31	82	7
Chard United	15	2	0	13	21	70	6

DIVISION THREE

HAWKCHURCH are promoted. The Devon side will return to Division two after a break of two seasons following a 2-1 win over Luso-Chard.
Glenn Harding fired the Hawks ahead

but they were pegged back by the Portuguese side by half-time. The winner came from the prolific Tim Hussey.

Millwey Rise Reserves consigned Lyme Regis Bantams to their first league de-feat in 2010 with a 4-1 win at First Av-

slender lead at the interval but with the slope in their favour, the Seasiders having struck the woodwork twice in the first 45 looked well set to take some-thing from the game especially wher

A Peter Hoare strike gave the Rise a

Jamie Jones equalised with his 11th goal of the season. But it wasn't to be and Hoare notched his second and Mark Pike weighed in with two of his own.

Division Three	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Hawkchurch	18	13	3	2	62	32	42
Fivehead United	16	8	3	5	32	26	27
Crewk Rangers	13	8	2	3	47	23	26
Luso-Chard	14	7	1	6	46	36	22
Misterton Res	16	7	2	7	40	47	22
Millwey Res	16	7	0	9	32	40	21
Lyme Bantams	15	7	2	6	43	35	20
Ćrewkerne Res	12	5	4	3	28	21	19
Shepton Res	17	5	2	10	32	45	17
Combe A	17	4	4	9	25	31	16
Chard Ran Res	16	2	1	13	20	71	7

DIVISION FOUR

MATT Read (2) and Ethan Guppy scored the goals as Waytown Hounds remained in the promotion hunt with a 3-1 win Charmouth Reserves. Vaughan netted the Robins' consolation.

Division Four	PW		D	L	F	ΑI	Pts
Winsham Res	18	9	5	4	64	50	32
Ilminster A	15	9	2	4	47	34	29
Waytown Hnds	16	9	1	6	54	34	28
Farway Res	15	8	3	4	48	30	27
Chard Utd Res	13	8	2	3	42	27	26
Combe B	20	8	2	10	66	55	26
Barrington Res					50		
Hinton Res	18	7	4	7	37	47	25
Thorn Res	17	5	4	8	36	44	16
Hawk Res	18	3	3	12	30	56	12
Charmouth Res	19	3	2	14	22	79	10

Saturday 17 April Daisy Hutchings Cup Round 3 Beaminster Res 1 Forton Rangers 0

Ilminster Colts 1 Farway United 4 Netherbury 3 Crewkerne Rangers 0 Norton Ath 2 Winsham United 1 aet South Peth Res 6 Millwey Rise 4 aet W & M Chinnock 7 Perry Street Res 6 Premier Division

Barrington 3 South Petherton 4 Charmouth 0 Beaminster 5 Lyme Regis 1 Perry Street 0 Merriott Rovers 1 White Horse 4 Misterton 5 Ilminster Town Reserves 1

Division One Thorncombe 3 Pymore 3 Division Two

Drimpton 4 Uplyme 5 Forton Rangers Res 5 Chard United 2 Shepton Beauchamp 4 Hinton 2 Division Three

Crewkerne Reserves 1 Combe A 1 Fivehead United 6 Misterton Res 1 Hawkchurch 2 Luso-Chard 1 Millwey Rise Res 4 Lyme Bantams 1

Division Four

Chard Utd Res 4 Ilminster Town A 2 Farway United Res 3 Hinton Res 2 Hawkchurch Res 0 Winsham Res 4 Thorncombe Res 2 Barrington Res 0 Waytown Hounds 3 Charmouth Res 1

FIXTURES

Tuesday 20 April
Bill Bailey Cup Final
at Beaminster FC 6.15pm
Crewkerne Rangers v Fivehead United **Division One** Ilminster Colts v W & M Chinnock

Netherbury v Lyme Regis Reserves Perry Street Res v Winsham United

Wednesday 21 April Somerset Junior Cup Final at Shepton Mallet FC

Chew Valley Sen v South Petherton

Division Two
Beaminster Reserves v Chard United Forton Reserves v Millwey Rise

Thursday 22 April **Division One**

Ilminster Town Colts v Thorncombe **Division Four** Barrington Res v Chard United Res

Saturday 24 April Arthur Gage Cup Semi-final 2pm Netherbury v Lyme Regis Reserves All matches below kick off 2.30pm unless

Beaminster v South Petherton 2.00pm Charmouth v Combe Reserves Crewkerne v Barrington Ilminster Reserves v Lyme Regis White Horse v Merriott Rovers

Division One

Chard Rangers v Ilminster Town Colts Pymore v Perry Street Reserves Thorncombe v Forton Rangers Winsham Utd v W & M Chinnock 2pm

Division Two
Beaminster Res v Millwey Rise 4.15pm
Drimpton v Chard United Norton Athletic v Forton Reserves South Peth Res v Dowlish & Donyatt Uplyme v Shepton Beauchamp

Division Three Combe A v Fivehead United Lyme Bantams v Luso-Chard Millwev Rise Res v Crewkerne Res Shepton Reserves v Misterton Res Division Four

Farway Reserves y Barrington Res Hawkchurch Res v Chard United Res Ilminster Town A v Charmouth Res

Winsham Res v Waytown 4.30pm Tuesday 27 April Kenny Hodges Cup Final at Drimpton FC 6.15pm

Ilminster A v Winsham United Res Premier Division Combe Reserves v South Petherton Lyme Regis v Beaminster

Division One Perry Street Reserves v Farway Utd

Lyme Regis Golf

with Steve Percival

Seniors Section

TWO seniors events were staged dur ing the week with the first being the April stableford competition.

Although the fairways were running well, many of the participants found the bitingly cold breeze and faster greens difficult to handle and this was reflected in many of the scores. However, some of the competitors man aged to overcome to record highly creditable scores.

In Division One the ever steady Barry Goswell, playing off 15, scored an excellent 37 points. In second place was Richard Thompson (13) with 36 points which included one of only 5 twos. Third place was taken by John Toates (18) with 34 points. Of the two scored one was an Eagle two on the par 4 ninth hole scored by David Hadwin. In Division Two the honours went to

David Dallas who scored 37 points play ing off 20. In second place was Mike List (22) with 35 points. Third, with 34 points and after a countback, was Alas-

tair Purcell (19) with 34 points. In warmer conditions but with some of the greens again proving too quick for a number of the participants, the Seniors Marsh Medal event was staged

on Monday 19 April.

Although the medal format is not to everyones liking and meant a reduced field from the stableford events, the competition was well attended with some very good rounds of golf played. In first place, after finally achieving what he has been threatening to do for a while, was John Coley with a net 67 playing off eight.

Second place was taken by Bob Kay (17) with a net 68. In third place, on countback and despite having to take "3 off the tee" on the last but one hole was David Hickman (16) with a net 68 Juniors

THE junior section staged their monthly stableford competition on Saturday in excellent weather and course conditions. In first place with an excellent score of 38 points Seaton resident Kai To Li (19) beat George Seed (11) in to second place with 38 points. In third place with 36 points was David Lyon

Two other juniors have achieved notable success in reaching the second round of the Daily Mail Foursomes competition. Scott Love, playing off scratch, and Jonathan (Johnny) Ebdon (9) defeated their oponents from Woodbury park with the final putt of the round which was a five footer sunk by Scott Love.

They now play Honition at home in the next round. Another Junior, George York has also continued to make good progress in scoring 40 points in a recent stableford event to see his handicap

further reduced.

Mens ProAm qualifier. The qualifier for the National ProAm competition was staged on Sunday, April 18th.

The winner was Chris Scott with 40 points. He will now partner club prfessional Duncan Driver in the first round to be played at Parkstone. In second place beating Julian Cox on countback was Pat Duke with 39 points.

Lyme Regis Ladies by Ellie Lanaford LYME Regis held two competitions on this day, the Flag and the Coronation Foursomes It was fortunate that it was a sunny day so that both competitions could be completed without too many

complaints.

Results of the Flag: 1st Gloria Lott 70pts, 2nd Linda Baker 72pts, 3rd Gilly Madill 73pts.
Gloria Lott cut her handicap from 26

to 24, Linda Baker from 20 to 19 and Gilly Madill from 24 to 22.

The winners of the Coronation Four-The winners of the Coronation Four-somes were Joy Madge and Monica Frost with 38pts, they will now go into a draw and the first 100 pairs, play at the finals later in the year. The runners-up were Mary Golding

and Hanna Jacobsen with 35pts
Lyme Regis was successful in the first

round of the Parkin Cup, this is a county competition played off scratch for players with a handicap of 20 or higher, they beat Crane Valley at home 2 up. Meanwhile, the interclub team halved their home match against Canford Magna.

The warmer spring weather during the second week of the Easter holiday encouraged many more golfers onto the Lyme Regis course to enjoy the dry

conditions underfoot and the now rap idly improving greeens. In addition to the casual club member and visitor players a number of competitions were staged during the week



West Bay Sea Angling ClubWEST BAY Sea Angling Club members have enjoyed two good Thursday night meeting with good weather and good fish caught.

Twenty four members turned out at West Bexington two weeks ago on a warm, calm evening where they all enjoyed a good nights fishing with all weighed fish re-

mights lishing with all weighted hish re-turned alive after weighing.

Most popular were dogfish, but two caught small eyed rays. Dave Chidzoy caught the first weighing 3 310g but his was well beated by Oliver Mear's catch which weighed in at 5k 715g, which is 157.52% of specimen weight, and may be a Wyvern junior record.
The two rays fell to sandeel while the

dogfish were caught with ragworm tipped with mackerel.

Mears ray won him the heaviest fish prize as well as the being overall competition winner with dogfish making a total haul of 6k 210g. Chidzoy was second with 4k 100 g and Peter Grinter third with 2k 770g of dogfish. With the top three ineligible to win

Dave Chidzoy went one better last Thursday at Lyme Regis where he won the over-all competition with 4k 720g of dogfish, wrasse and rockling as well as the heaviest fish category

Seventeen members signed in for the night with most fishing either the Cobb or Monmouth Beach on a calm, chilly night.

Dogfish was again the most popular catch but a few good ballan wrasse were also caught in the daylight with Peter Grinter's the heaviest one weighing 470g which was a good fish so early in the year.

There were also some large shore rock-ling caught, the heaviest by Kym Hyett at 425g - keep an eye on this name as it is reckoned she will give Frances Kitchin a run

for her money.

Andrew Privett was second overall with 1 kg 585g of dogfish and rockling, just 35g ahead of Chris Harwood with a similar haul. Oliver Mears had to settle for most species this time with three

PORTLAND TO HOST INTERNATIONAL YACHTING CONFERENCE ON FRIDAY-

WEYMOUTH and Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA) are to host their first international yachting conference later this month.

The conference on Friday April 23rd aims to promote the sport of sailing and maritime culture with an event involving a number of renowned industry speakers from major

WPNSA is fast becoming the international venue of choice for yacht racing events and is attracting some of the marine world's key industry leaders to the South West who continue to develop the commercial side of the global industry.

With WPNSA having been chosen as the venue for the sailing competition at the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games, chairman Edward Leask will introduce the international and regional speakers including Maria Moynihan-Lee, who worked as part of the team at the Galway Experience that secured Galway as the finishing port for one of the greatest sailing events, the Volvo Ocean Race.

Also due to speak are lan Dickens, who is Marketing Director at Clipper Ventures Plc and organiser of the Clipper Round the World Race; Sir Keith Mills, who formed TEAMO-

RIGIN, the British America's Cup Team; and Rod Carr, OBE ex Chief Executive of the Royal

This diverse and pre-eminent list of speakers will discuss everything from national to international yachting events organising, potential ways to develop and expand such

events and the potential changes and growth to the industry as a whole.

John Tweed, Chief Executive at the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy comments: "We are delighted to be hosting our first ever International Yachting Conference with renowned key speakers from the world of premiere yachting events. This is a natural progression for our award winning venue as it receives greater global at-tention for hosting premiere yachting events. The Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy is well experienced in holding conferences on the maritime industry and we feel this conference will prove very informative to all those attending."

The WPNSA will provide the ideal venue to host the conference as it is the venue for the sailing competition at the upcoming London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games. It makes it an extremely highly regarded and experienced venue for not only sailing but also non-sailing related conferences and events.

A few places have become available at this conference – if you wish to attend, please contact Rachel Sadler at the academy on 01305 866025.



♦ JACK HIGH: Burton Bradstock indoor bowlers assemble after John Bull (centre) won the club's knock-out tournament beating John Ivall in the final. The trophy was presented by club chairman Graham Blunden

BRIDPORT SKITTLES LEAGUE

Cup fixtures for week beginning Monday, April 26th:

Over 58s - Final

Monday April 26th - Woodman

S. Bulled, N. Pye, J. Scotton, M. Chivers, M. Hansford, J. Brooks, D. Maunder, S.

Ladies Individual Nomination - Final

Tuesday, April 27th – King Charles

C. Huxter, J. Malcolm, J. Symes, S. Luter, E. Hooper; C. Lambert, M. Hansford, S. Newman

Mens Pairs - Final

Thursday, April 29th - Loders Arms

R. Pincombe & R. Harp, H. Mills & B. Pitcher, I. Pincombe & D. Cooper, J. Peach & D. Langridge.

Tickets for the Presentation Night (May 21st) are now on sale from the Lord Nelson @ £4 each

FAST GROUND A PROBLEM

WITH the recent spell of dry and sunny weather that has contrasted to the winter where heavy ground meant many of Bob Buckler's horses stayed at home, the firm ground is now causing a number of trainers problems because of the fast ground.

Three of the stables six runners last week found the ground not to their liking, all re turning with injuries caused by the conditions, whilst Buckler withdrew Fun Guy on the day at Wincanton on Sunday because

it had become too fast. Earlier in the day Ballygulleen suffered a strain of the suspensory ligament which runs between the knee and the fetlock, and was pulled up by Nathan Sweeney, whilst Howlin At The Moon was also pulled up after jarring his feet on the ground when

easonably placed four from home.

The third casualty was Cullahill who started well enough at Exeter last Tuesday but then lost a shoe and was eventually

On the same card Double or Quitz showed promise by leading the field with a mile to go in the bumper race but weak-ened to finish at the back of the field.

"He ran quite well, but needs to get stronger, "said Buckler. "He's immature and needs to grow up, but hopefully a summer with the sun on his back will help."

In the case of River Indus it was jockey error that caused the normally very reliable

Stable jockey Sweeney who has won a lot of plaudits for his riding this year from both Buckler and the press, this time had to ac-

cept criticism from his boss.
"Indus needs to be up the front and kept interested. Anywhere else he switches off. He was slow out of the blocks and then Nathan missed the break, Covered up in the bunch he lost interest and then didn't respond when he needed to. Although he has had a brilliant season, unfortunately this was not one of Nathan's best rides."

With the official end of the jump season this Saturday, Buckler will be giving a few a last run before turning them out; only a few who prefer fast ground staying in training during the summer.

Ethiopia is due to run today at Southwell whilst The Sawyer left for Ireland at the weekend for tonight's Irish Daily Mirror Handicap Steeplechase at Punchestown over 2 1/2 miles worth £80,000.

Sean Thornton is likely to have his first run over fences at Chepstow tomorrow as is Over The Flow at Newton Abbot on Friday providing there is enough give in the

ground.

John's Gift will run at one of the two courses in his last run of the season, whilst Double Dizzy is aimed at the £160,000 Bet365 Gold Cup Chase at Sandown providing he is not balloted out.

BRIDPORT SUPERLEAGUE DARTS

Fighting finish by Bridport men

ish the season on a high, by winning their final two games against Poole and Alder-

The ladies got off to a dreadful start at home to Poole and found themselves 4-0 before Helen Long gave them hope of a revival. However they lost the next two before Elaine Ingram produced a Lady of the Match performance with a 15.82 average but Bridport lost the last game and the match 2-7.

It was a similar story with the men who lost 2-10. Joe Carter and Ben Grainger grabbed a win in the pairs but from then on it was all Poole. The only highlight for Bridport came from Carter with a stunning performance that included a 180 and a lovely 122 match shot for a 3-0 win with an average of 25.05.

The mens chances of avoiding the

wooden spoon looked slim in the final match away to last year's champions Alderholt, currently lying second, but they went into it in high spirits. They were buoyed by wins from Gra-

ham Knight and Nigel Druce, and Grainger and Carter in the pairs, but Alderholt won the two opening singles before Knight with a Man of the Match 3-1 winning performance and Druce with a 3-2 victory levelled the scores again at 4-

Alderholt won the next two to leave them on the brink of victory but with Grainger producing an outstanding performance to win 3-1 it left Carter needing victory to grab a point. With the whole team shouting encouragement and the adrenalin cursing through his veins, Carter won 3-1 to grab an unexpected

Although this was not the men's best season, the team will be looking to take this performance into next year and build

again.
The ladies were hoping a win would lift them into the top half of the table and got off to a flier winning all three pairs. Elaine Ingram once again produced a Lady of the Match performance after

Alderholt had pulled one back.
Hitting a 19.19 average, six ton plus
scores and an 111 game shot she set
lifted her side and with Jo Knight and Sally James both grabbing good wins they took the match 6-3 and with it fifth

◆ The Superleague AGM will be held at the Clockhouse Inn, Chideock on Friday April 30th at 6.15. All players interested in playing next season are invited to attend

The Bridport Open will follow the AGM. 7.45pm register for an 8pm kick off.

Lyme Regis bowlers underway



♦ FIRST BOWL: Lyme Regis Town Mayor, Councillor Michaela Ellis delivers the first wood to officially open the new season at the Lyme Regis Bowling club in glorious sunshine on the Charles Mercer Green on Saturday

Bridport table skittles league

Division A	P	W	Pts	Beer
Jesters	20	16	76	17
Second Hand Cloc	k19	14	67	15
Eye of the Tiger	18	15	63	12
Chillieheads	20	10	57	9
Sally Mustangs	20	10	50	7
Crown A	19	10	46	4
Oak A Nuts	20	9	43	7
No Hopers	20	8	43	11
Whats the Odds	18	7	38	13
Simpsons	19	8	36	6
Cross Shots	19	7	31	8
Classics	20	3	31	8
Division B	Р	w	Pts	Beer
Kens Prix	20	16	69	11
Mucking Fuddlers.	20	12	55	7
Five of Clubs	19	11	54	9
Consorts	20	10	54	13
Freds Heros	19	10	52	11
Baggies Boys	19	12	49	12
Slingers	20	10	48	10
Fishermens Friend	s19	8	45	9
Five Alive	19	9	43	10
Upstairs Downstai	rs19	7	40	10
Crown Spares	20	5	33	6
Division C	Р	w	Pts	Beer
Tanners A	20	18	76	17
Who gives A Tuck		17	70	12
Bell Ends		16	70	11
West Dorset Clubb		14	59	14
Time Wasters	18	11	51	13
Stickups	19	9	50	9
The B Bs	18	8	39	8
Exiles		6	36	5
Catch of the Day	19	3	33	9
About Time	20	5	31	7
Kings of Hazard	20	4	27	4
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WEYMOUTH & DISTRICT **TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE**

SHIPTON Gorge A hung on to top spot in Division ONE after a close battle with St Osmund 's Crusaders but Pilgrims dented Gorge B's title hopes in Division Two with revenge for last weeks defeat.

Shipton Gorge A 21 St Osmund's Crusaders 15

tors and the absence of Richard Trim through injury from the home side meant that this match was going to be a nail-biter.

Joslin duly won his three sets but dropped his first game of the season to Eddy Buck who dug in to win six points for the home side leaving the teams were level at 15-15 before the last two sets.

Chris Glover and Gil Roberts also picked up six points and it was Glover who won the ninth set 3-0 before combining with Roberts to take the doubles 3-0 and clinch a useful

DIV 1 (top)	P	W	D	L		A Pts
Shipton Gorge A	17	16	0	1		179 442
Springfield A	16	14	0	_	382	205 396
YMCA A	18	8	1		381	314 389

Pilgrims 28 Shipton Gorge B 14

Pilgrims hung on to their top spot as Shipton's challenge without the presence of Ron Tucknott, took a decisive blow in this top of the table clash.

Still smarting from their defeat at Shipton, Pilgrims were at full strength and in no mood to take prisoners, dropping only two sets all evening. These were to Jim Saunders who achieved a creditable seven points with just one defeat.

John Moseley returned to the side with a useful five points from close sets and David Poole took a further two. The doubles was a one-sided affair with the home side cruising home 3-0.

0	DIV 2 (top)	P	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts
	St Osmunds Sharks	18	14	0	4	415	250	429
0	Pilgrims Shipton Gorge B	18	13	0	5	408	249	421
:	Shipton Gorge B	17	14	0	3	388	223	402
	Springfield B	18	14	0	4	380	272	394

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♦ SHORT-MAT BOWLS: LYME REGIS PROMOTED!

East Devon League (afternoon League Division Two)										
Table	Ρ	W	D	L	+/-	Pts				
Awliscombe B	.14	8	3	2	337	19				
LYME REGIS	.14	8	1	5	107	17				
Colyton	.14	7	1	6	213	15				
Musbury	.14	5	5	4	-61	15				
Woodbury	.14	7	1	6	-90	15				
Combe St Nicholas	.14	5	3	6	-100	13				
Sidford	.14	4	4	6	-116	12				
Seaton Cliff C	14	2	2	10	-290	6				

◆ BADMINTON: A CHARMOUTH team must win the Tony Pryce West Dorset Badminton League Knock-out Tournament next week as they provide both teams contesting the final.

Charmouth 1 will play Charmouth 3 in the KO Cup Final at

Westlands on Saturday April 24th.
Charmouth's third side Charmouth 2 have not missed out on the excitement either, when they will play either Bridport Royals or Cerne Abbas in the KO Plate.

Cruel finish to Bees cup dreams

BRIDPORT 1 BISHOP SUTTON 1

(Bishop Sutton win on pens 5-3 after extra time) Les Phillips Cup Semi-final - Attendance: 118 Saturday, April 17th

THE DREAM is over! Bridport's hopes of lifting the Les Phillips Cup for the first time were shattered by defeat following a penalty shoot-out.

Bridport who had gone into the semi-final with several players carrying injuries, put on a brave display against their Premier League rivals but were finally defeated after skipper Darren Lock blazed his spot kick over the bar in the climax to an emotionally draining game.

Despite losing Darren Watts in the first minute, Trevor Senior's walking wounded battled to equalise in the second half, and with keeper Jamie Fry saving two penalties, it looked like they might just make it as the Bees started to dictate the game. In extra time they had a Roger Cumming's goal disallowed for offside before the game was decided on penalties.

The first seven were despatched before the unfortunate Lock missed leaving Liam Farmer to net the decisive goal.

Watts had declared himself fit for the game but had to be substituted in the first minute without kicking the ball, but Senior's 5-4-1 tactic with son Chris a lone striker kept the Bishop's at bay until top scorer Rob Smart glanced home a near post header from Mike Rimmer for his 31st goal of the season in the 17th minute

He should have added another nine minutes after the break when Chris Clarke pulled back Farmer in the box, but Fry got down to his right to turn Smart's kick around the post.

Fry denied Smart again five minutes later when he reacted brilliantly to block the strikers shot from inside the six-yard box.

The Bees equalised on 73 minutes with a rare sortie into the visitors half when Wise produced one of his trademark free-kicks curling his low shot around the Bishops six man wall and beyond keeper Chris Blammon

The drama wasn't finished yet, as having clawed their way back into the game, Lock tripped Peter Sheppard five minutes later, but again Fry denied the visitors from the penalty spot, producing an even better save from Kye Holly, again going right and getting his fingertips to the ball

Bridport thought they might have had a penalty of their own when three minutes from time sub Roger Cummings collided with Blammon as he chased a long ball, to which the Bishop's keeper reacted, but the ref only booked both players.

Bridport had the better of extra-time with Cummings having a goal ruled out for offside and Wise almost snatched a winner two minutes from the end with a curling shot that just dipped too late over the far angle of the goal frame.

The large crowd certainly were entertained. but unlike the Larkhall Athletic game, it was Bridport who lost out in the penalty shoot-out.

Magpies woe at Eastleigh

EASTLEIGH 2 DORCHESTER TOWN 0 Blue Square South - Attendance: 433 Wednesday, April 14th

Dorchester Town were beaten 2-0 at Eastleigh on Wednesday to record back to back defeats for the first time this year.

The Magpies will feel a little aggrieved following a good performance as both goals had an element of luck about them

Dorchester had created the better chances in the first half, the best being a thunderous 35-yard free-kick from Ryan Hill that was brilliantly turned over by home gloveman Jason Matthews just before the hosts scored with half an hour gone.

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Sam Butler had the help of a Dorchester defender's deflection to help his 30-yard free kick find the net which after wrong footing keeper Regan Coward then only found the net via the upright.

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Eastleigh's second just before the interval came from the penalty spot. Neil Martin was adjudged to have clipped Richard Gillespies heel as he ran into the box, and the Eastleigh striker got up to hammer the ball beyond Coward.

Magpies thumped! LEWES 5 DORCHESTER TOWN 0 Blue Square South - Attendance: 514 Saturday, April 17th

DORCHESTER Town suffered their biggest defeat of the season, their third in a row, in a lack-lustre performance at the Dripping Pan on Saturday.

Lewes fighting for survival in the Blue Square South enhanced their chances by thumping five past a Magpies side that showed several changes from the midweek defeat by Fastleigh

Lewes who now move out of the relegation zone following this victory took the lead on eight minutes when Scott Brice brought down James Fraser in the penalty box and top scorer Joe Keehan scored from the spot

The hosts continued to pin Dorchester in their own half and Keeham went close with two more efforts. Dorchester rarely bothered Rooks keeper Rikki Banks and it was no surprise when Keehan added his 18th of the season when he glanced home Rob Gradwell's corner a minute before the break.

Fired up Lewes continued the assault on the Magpies defence after the interval and despite Regan Coward's desperate attempts to keep the ball out, Gradwell scored their third after good work by David Wheeler.

Three minutes later, Chris Breach's looping header from Fraser's corner evaded the fingertips of Coward as it dropped behind him into the goal.

Lewes completed a nap hand when substitute Jean-Michel Sigere dinked the ball past the onrushing Coward on the edge of the area four minutes from time to seal a valuable win for the Rooks

Terras give fans hope with win

WEYMOUTH 1 HAMPTON & RICHMOND 0
Blue Square South - Attendance: 501

Saturday, April 17th

WEYMOUTH gave their loyal fans a victory to savour in their last home Blue Square South match. With relegation to the Zameretto League next season

With relegation to the Zameretto League next season confirmed the Terras had nothing to fight for except their pride, and they gave current caretaker manager Andy Harris a first win in the eight matches since he took over from Jerry Gill in March.

They were also able to show the new incumbent management team, Ian Hutchinson and his assistant Andy Mason that they are worth a place in their side next season.

The duo were introduced to the crowd of 501 before kick-off where they received a standing ovation.

Harris stayed loyal to the side that gave a good performance in losing to high fliers Dover Athletic and whilst the game didn't set the world alight, the Terras deserved their victory if only through their work rate and determination.

The goal that settled the tie came from Jamie McGuinness five minutes after the break when he was on hand at the far post when visiting gloveman Matt Lovett could only push Simon Radcliffe's cross into his path.

Ollie Tribe had cleared Ian Hodges shot off the line before Lovett tipped Scott Dixon's shot around the post. Weymouth started to dominate the game after they

Weymouth started to dominate the game after they scored and McGuinness drove a shot wide of the post, but they needed teenage keeper Michael Neish to win all three points when he had to stretch to keep out Barrie Matthews header just before the end, where they also left to a standing ovation.

Wise goal earns derby victory

BRIDPORT 1 CHARD TOWN 0

Toolstation Division One - Attendance: 105 Thursday, April 15th

A THIRD minute Dan Wise goal gave Bridport a hard earned 1-0 victory over Chard Town last Thursday in the Toolstation Western League First Division match at St Mary's Field.

Wise reacted first after Chris Senior's shot had come back off the crossbar to score through a melee of players. Although his shot was hacked off the line the assistant awarded the goal.

In a dour game, very little of any substance occurred in the first-half with manager Trevor Senior having to replace Matt Condliffe with James Maidment after he turned his damaged ankle once again.

Chard came out with more purpose after the break and Gary Knight went close with a header from Jon Hurford's free kick that just cleared the angle of the goalframe.

Sam Charles had two chances to increase the Bees lead on the hour but first could only sidefoot Adam Symes cross straight at visiting keeper Stu Parris, before driving his shot wide of the far post after collecting Wise's pass and beating his marker.

Knight then brought down Charles on the edge of the box, but redeemed himself when he got in the way of Wise's free kick and deflected it over the bar.

The Bees midfielder then almost doubled the score on 76 minutes but this time his free-kick hit the top the crossbar and went over.

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Iwo minutes later Chard Town's Mark Scott was given a straight red card following an incident with Jamie Symes who received a dead leg when the defender appeared to kick him after the ball had gone.

Gutsy Bees fightback for a point BRIDPORT 2 ALMONDSBURY 2

Toolstation Division One - Attendance: 60 Tuesday, April 13th BRIDPORT fought back twice to secure a 2-2 draw at

BRIDPORT fought back twice to secure a 2-2 draw at home to Almondsbury UWE two days earlier.

Adrian Hiroli gave the visitors the lead midway through the first-half with a good goal from 15 yards before Andy Suttle blocked Jordan Rogers shot who blasted the rebound just over the bar, and then foiled the striker again just before the break.

The Bees equalised five minutes after the break when Adam Symes just beat two defenders to convert Sam Charles' cross at the far post.

Almondsbury regained the lead 20 minutes from the end when a shot from James Marshall evaded everyone in the goalmouth and found the net, but Bridport levelled it five minutes later when Dan Wise equalised from the penalty spot after he was brought down by the visitor's keeper Daniel Child after being put in by Charles.

Another late blow for Glovers

YEOVIL TOWN 0 SOUTHAMPTON 1
Coca-Cola League One - Attendance: 7,484
Saturday, April 17th

Saturday, April 17th

ANOTHER defeat leaves Yeovil dangling precariously above the League One relegation zone after their 1-0 defeat by Southampton at Huish Park on Saturday.

Lee Barnard's 93rd minute winner follows a 94th minute equaliser they conceded on Tuesday against Millwall.

In both games they deserved more than they got. Alex McCarthy failed to deal with a hopeful ball pumped into the penalty area that allowed former onloan striker Jonathan Obika an easy winner for Millwall, whilst a poor refereeing decision and a tactical blunder by Terry Skiverton maintained the Saints outside chance of a play-off spot.

The dropped points leave Yeovil searching for maybe one win from their remaining three games to ensure their League One status next season, in a campaign that once again has been frustrating for the fans. It is no coincidence that the Glovers improved form

It is no coincidence that the Glovers improved form on the run-in has been since the arrival of former star Gavin Williams who has made such an impact on the side since he arrived on-loan from Bristol City in early March.

His presence has been such a huge influence on the side, his ability and energy lifting every one of his team mates

Williams' influence has been obvious since the first game he played at home to Hartlepool where he scored with a superb free kick and forced an own goal in the 4-0 win.

Unfortunately he was sent off after 65 minutes and was forced to watch the next three games from the stand which brought the Glovers just one point out of nine.

Back for the Leeds United game he lifted the side in a second half revival that almost snatched a point, before scoring twice at Stockport in an easy win.

Striker Dean Bowditch has probably benefitted most from Williams who has been playing in a slightly more forward role than he did when last at Huish Park, and has looked far more potent than in previous games,



♦ WHOOPS! Dorchester Town's Steve Devlin collides with James Dabizas and doesn't even receive a yellow card!

whilst his guile has brought out the best in midfield colleague Shaun MacDonald, who was already outstanding - on Saturday Williams was again the class act.

One of the two major talking points in Saturday's defeat hinged on replacement referee Oli Langford's refusal to dismiss Saints Jose Fonte on 77 minutes when he hauled back Williams as he skipped past the tall central defender on his way to goal.

Whilst there were other defenders in line, none appeared to have been in a position to have made a challenge, and therefore Forte should have received a red card as he was the last defender. Instead Langford who had a dreadful game and had already dismissed Morgan Schneiderlin seven minutes earlier for violent conduct against Williams, appeared to lose his bottle and just booked him.

Southampton manager Alan Pardew, knowing that a draw was not good enough to maintain their play-off challenge went for broke and threw on forwards David Connolly and Papa Waigo N'Daiye in an effort to win the match on 84 minutes.

Despite a man advantage, Skiverton then decided to withdraw lone striker Bowditch and replace him with midfielder Keiron Murtagh two minutes from normal time. This allowed Saints territorial advantage, and as has been seen so often this season it immediately put the Yeovil defence under pressure and ultimately paid the price when Papa Waigo's right wing cross was headed home by half-time sub Lee Barnard.

Snapper gets taken out!

TAKING photos can be a dangerous job. Just ask James Dabizas, who works for the Western Gazette. He was quietly going about his job at Dorchester Town's recent match with Chelmsford City when he was taken out by the Magpies midfielder Steve Devlin as he went to prevent a ball going out of play.

He was caught on camera by freelance photographer ldris Martin who fortunately was positioned at another part of the ground but was alert enough to catch the action.



■ STILL BATTLING: White Horse FC who gave their hopes of survival in the Perry Street League Premier Division a boost by beating Merriott Rovers 4-1 on Saturday The two teams meet again at Symondsbury at the weekend. Line-up, back row from left: Nick Pomeroy (assistant manager), Aaron Marshall, Colin Paul, James Pitcher, Ashley Walkey, Lee Quincey, Carl Ives, Richard Mawditt. Front: John Kingston, Tom Franklin, Nathan Patten, Chris Potter, Peter Lawrence, Rich Bolton, Jed (mascot), Russell Weller, Richard Pincombe.

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RUGBY ROUND-UP

with Keith Jenkin

Dorchester warm-up for semi-final with fine win

THE final day of the 2009/2010 league season was bright and sunny, with very little wind. In fact it was ideal for rugby football. It was a shame therefore that far too many of the local sides were without fixtures for one reason or another.

I started my day at HONITON as a quest of the club on the occasion of their vice presidents' luncheon, always a convivial and much looked forward to occasion, certainly on my part. On my arrival I found that their opposition, DHSOB had declined to travel.

Needing a game to cover, I eschewed the provender, took my leave and made my way to BRIDPORT to cover their final game and to take in the presentation of the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South) winners trophy. I was intercepted en route and advised that their game too had been conceded by opposition, OAK-MEDIANS seconds.

Feeling that the fates were conspiring against me, I kept travelling east and thankfully was able to watch the DORCH-ESTER/CÓRSHAM encounter.

DORCHESTER 41pts, CORSHAM 18pts

ALTHOUGH both sides are locked together in the division's mid table, this encounter certainly had some meaning. being a dress rehearsal for a cup semi final due to take place on Thursday, April 22nd at North Dorset.

In fast, firm, conditions the home side did not get off to the best of starts, with their opening drop out not travelling the required ten vards.

In fact it was Corsham who looked the likelier outfit early on, winning the bulk of possession and playing much of the rugby in home territory.

The first score came before the game was ten minutes old. The visitors took lineout ball on the Dorchester twenty two and mauled their way to within five vards of the home line. They then released, only for the Dorchester midfield to be penalised and the successful penalty kick gave Corsham a 3-0 lead.

The next Corsham score came some five minutes later and had a shade of good fortune about it. The visitors' eight won lineout ball on halfway and one of their midfield assayed a grubber kick. The ball bounced back to him off a Dorchester body and, on gathering, he found himself in the clear.

He made the most of his good fortune, feeding his right winger some twenty five vards out, and he scuttled over and touched down halfway out. The try remained unconverted but gave Corsham an 8-0 lead with less than fifteen minutes

At this stage the home side were not winning useable ball and were also conceding the odd penalty from which their opponents prospered. They did manage, just, to secure possession a few minutes later however and, moreover made it count for, after a break in the centre, fullback Read came into the line, showed his number to the cover and touched down between the posts. Jones kicked the conversion from in front, and Dorchester were back to within a point at 7-8, very much against the run of play.

One had the feeling that Dorchester had flattered to deceive with this score, for the game then reverted to its original pattern, with Corsham continuing to be by far the busier of the sides.

A few minutes later they mounted a good attack. One of their midfielders threw a good cut out pass, putting his colleague into a wide gap and the result was a try, scored halfway out and also unconverted.

The home side was not playing at all well at this stage. They were falling off tackles, leaving gaps, and their opponents were running through them.

Then, five minutes before the break, the visitors kicked a penalty award to the corner and mauled the ensuing lineout over the line to claim a third unconverted try of the half and to lead 18-7.

Although Dorchester were still in touch at this stage, one felt that it was owing to the fact that the Corsham place kicker was struggling with his method, rather than to the quality of their play, as he had missed three kickable conversions and a couple of penalty goals in the half.

It was the home side however who had

the final say of the half. They attacked, again through Read who made a good diagonal run and, when checked inside the Corsham twenty two, put his centre Jones over out wide

The conversion kick was a good one, agonisingly rebounding from the crossbar, but nevertheless the unconverted try took the home side to within a score at 12-18, although they had certainly been second best for most of the half.

I remain unsure as to just what Dorchester imbibe with their half time oranges, but I could do with a supply of it. They looked businesslike from minute one of the second period and had taken the lead before the half was ten minutes old from a move, initiated by Jones and completed by Read, who came into the line to take the inside pass and to score near touch.

Jones added the extras with an excellent kick from out wide and from his wrong side, to give his side the lead at 19-18.

Seemingly now having found the secret, Dorchester scored again, more or less directly from the restart, breaking down the lead, and again it was Read who was well up to take the scoring pass.

The try remained unconverted but it was all Dorchester now. They were winning useable ball and, moreover, using it. Jones scored the next, breaking the visitors' line from set piece possession on halfway and taking an inside line to score in the corner. This latest unconverted effort really put the home side in the driving seat at 29-18 ahead.

Home dominance continued and, with fifteen minutes left another break in the centre by Jones saw him gallop to the corner to touch down his hat trick try.

The visitors were a pretty tired unit now and, with ten minutes left, Read came into the line on the narrow side, just inside his own half, broke clear and was guilty of belated and shameful "Jug Evasion" to my mind, running to the line before passing to Bament, who was making a welcome return from injury. He touched down some five yards in from

Jones kicked the conversion for good measure to complete the scoring and to take his side to a resounding win that had looked unlikely, to say the least, less than an hour previously.

I hate the phrase, "a game of two halves" but really cannot avoid using it to describe this one. Dorchester, having been lacklustre in the extreme before the break, transformed themselves in the second period to romp away to a deserved win.

They should have learnt how to beat this opposition in the cup game on Thursday, for the Corsham back three did not prove effective and their backs had no answer to the running of Jones and Read.

The Dorchester second side conceded their final league encounter Bournemouth thirds.

WEYMOUTH 15pts, **SWANAGE & WAREHAM 2nd 10pts**

THIS was a game that the home side had to win if they were not to be overtaken by their opponents and so lose the runners up position in the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South).

Although conditions were ideal for open running rugby, the handling of both sides was not quite as it should have been and the game was laced with knock ons and spilt passes.

In fact Weymouth did deserve to win, scoring three unconverted tries, through Dave Allen, Roger Lewendon and Joe Gibson, against two by their opponents.

They had to withstand very considerable pressure imposed by the visitors late on however. They did so successfully but the issue was in doubt until the whistle for no side sounded.

WEYMOUTH 2nd 55pts, **BOURNEMOUTH 4th 17pts**

AFTER steaming against the tide for much of the season, the Weymouth second string have struck a very rich vein of form in the final weeks.

For the second week running they have bested their opponents by a very considerable margin and will, most certainly be hoping to take this form into September

SWANAGE & WAREHAM 3rd 36pts, BRIDPORT 2nd 14pts

THE Bridport second side could not end its league campaign on a winning note, going down to Swanage & Wareham thirds by a comfortable margin.

SATURDAY last saw the end of the 2009/2010 league season and the WEY-MOUTH club has collectively hung up its boots until September next.

DORCHESTER are still involved in the County Cup Competition at the semi final stage and take on last Saturday's opponents, CORSHAM, on Thursday (tomorrow) evening at the North Dorset ground. If they can exert some control, cut out Saturday's first half errors and sent the ball wide at every opportunity, they should win with some comfort.

Their opponents however, are a busy side who move the ball well out of contact with short quick offloads and had Dorchester chasing shadows on quite a few occasions in Saturday's first period.

Their back three were not effective in defence on Saturday however, letting the ball bounce and getting caught in possession by the followers. Their first up tackling left a little to be desired on occasion also.

Dorchester to reach the final in some comfort, I think, on a date yet to be announced!

BRIDPORT end the season with a friendly game against the ROYAL TANK REGIMENT, something of a festival really and they will be hoping that the weather gods are on their side to help the occa-

FIXTURES 24th April: Bridport v Royal Tank Regiment (home): Chard v Cirencester (away); Chard 2nd v Somerton; Chard 3rd v Wiveliscombe 2nd; Crewkerne v No Game; Dorchester v Corsham (Cup Semi final at North Dorset Thursday at 6pm); Honiton v Tamar Saracens (away); Sidmouth 2nd v Wellington 2nd (away); Sidmouth 3rd v Wellington 3rd.

Dorset County Cricket Club

Nick's knock earns narrow win

A DETERMINED knock of 79 from opener Nick Park and a quickfire half century from Darren Cowley were the backbone of Dorset County's slim eight run win over a Dorset League XI at Dean Park on Sunday.
Team manager Sean Walbridge de-

sire for one of the opening pair to pro-vide a base for the rest of the team was met by Park who batted for almost the entire innings, occupying the crease for 44.4 overs and facing 121 balls in Dorset's total of 272-6 off 50 overs.

After losing Glyn Tregus (8), Josh Lawrence (4) and David Taylor (11) with 58 on the board, Park and Chris Morgan (42) shared a stand of 99 to lift the county side, before Cowley hit 57 off just 29 balls in a partnership worth 67. Captain Chris Park then weighed in with an unbeaten 30 off 29 balls.

Mike Ford was the most successful

League bowler having taken the first three wickets at a cost of 28 ably backed up by Roger Stammas who only conceded 21 in his ten overs.

In reply Dorset Under-21s Leigh Duham showed he is capable of stepping up to the senior side with a confident 74 and he and Raj Naik (Parley) looked like embarrassing the county side as they added 103 in 15 overs be-fore Naik was bowled by Simon Watkins for 68.

John Powell from Broadstone then hit 45 at almost a run a ball before Glyn Tregus (4-31) had him caught by Ed Denham. Tregus then removed Miller and the dangerous Dan Belt (26) to set up the victory.

Walbridge said: "This was an excellent work out ahead of our first competitive game against Hertfordshire

Nick Park did exactly what we asked which allowed us to build on. It was Darren Cowley's quickfire innings that probably took the game away from the League side, but good innings from Chris Morgan and Chris Park shows we have depth in our batting and runs in the lower order.

"It was also good to see Leigh Dunham in such good form. As an under 21 player he has showed that he is quite capable of stepping up.

"I was extremely pleased with David Taylor's bowling; a good economical spell and we once again have strength in depth with our bowling with Glyn Tregus coming on and pick-ing up four wickets. The League side were pushing on and he came on and slowed them down as well as took wickets."

Walbridhe thought the Dorset League side proved an excellent workout for them

"It was a worthwhile exercise and has given me a few selection headaches ahead of the weekend."

DORSET CCC G.Treagus b M.Ford

N.Park st Fitzgerald b Naik J.Lawrence st Fitzgerald b Ford D.Taylor c Miller b Ford C.Morgan Ibw b Waite 46 57 D.Cowley c Miller b Wilson C.Park* not out S.Watkins b Naik 30 PTweddle+ not out 10 Extras (0nb, 18w, 8lb, 1b) 272 for 7 Bowling: S.Forshaw: 5-0-30-0, M.Ford: 7-1-28-3, R.Stammas: 10-1-21-0, D.Belt: 8-0-44-0, R.Naik: 10-0-61-2, R.Waite: 5-0-40-1, K.Wilson: 5-0-39-1.

DORSET LEAGUE REP XI

1. G.Treagus: 5-0-31-4.

L.Dunham St Tweddle b Morgan 74 S.Fitzgerald+ lbw b Taylor R Naik b Watkins J.Powell c Denham b Treagus K.Wilson St Tweddle b Morgan 10 26 D.Belt c N.Park b Treagus D.Miller* c C.Park b Treagus M.Ford c Warren b Treagus R.Waite not out R.Stammas not out Extras (0nb, 14w, 8lb, 0b) 22 264 for 9 Bowling: D.Taylor: 10-1-22-2, P.Warren: 10-1-41-0, E.Denham: 10-0-59-0, C.Morgan: 9-0-54-2, S.Watkins: 6-0-49-

D.Maslen Ibw b Taylor

Wessex Raceway.

Heads up! ♦ INCOMING: Lyme Regis Reserves' Ally Rattenbury swings in a corner in last Tuesday's 2-0 win over West-Dorset neighbours Netherbury at the Davey Fort. The win lifted The Seasiders off the foot of the Perry Street League Division One table but dealt the Ambers promotion hopes a blow. *Photo JON MATTHEWS*

Wildcats win but miss-out on Cup

WEYMOUTH WILDCATS SPEEDWAY

DESPITE recording their first win of the season Weymouth Wildcats could not overturn a first leg deficit in the return leg of the Pete Redfern Memorial Trophy with Isle of Wight at the

The Wildcats pulled out all the stops but couldn't overcome the 18 point deficit in their 49-43 win leaving IOW the winners by 99-87.

The hosts fell further behind on aggregate after four heats trailing 13-11. and with the Islanders getting their first maximum in heat five, by race eight the gap was 28 points.

With Terry Day and Byron Bekker

producing wins and the Wildcats earning maximum's in the next two heats they started to pull back some

of the deficit.

When Bekker and Cockle added a

one/two in heat 13 the Wildcats found themselves in front for the first time on the night and they finished in style with the same two adding another 5 1 in heat 16.

Byron Bekker once again top scored with 12 + 1, followed by Cockle (11 + 2), Day (9) and guest rider Matt Bates (8+1) who replaced injured skipper

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INSIDE: Comprehensive local sports news round-up

TWO YEAR DEAL FOR HUTCH

WEYMOUTH'S favourite footballing son was given a standing ovation when lan Hutchinson returned to the Wessex Stadium last Saturday to herald what fans hope will be a return to normality and change of fortune.

After a season verging on a soapopera the reinstating of Hutch and his assistant Andy Mason can only be a $good\ thing\ for\ the\ club, and\ although$ in an interview with the View from Weymouth the amiable Teesider said; "I know that football is fickle and you live by results," everyone will be willing that they succeed.

After agreeing and signing two-year contracts on Friday, after being introduced to the club, the two watched the game against Hampton & Richmond from the director's box in the company of Bob Lucas.

"It was very flattering but a bit embarrassing out on the pitch, but it's great to be back at the club and in the company of people like Bob who has been part of this club for 50 years.

"Our first priority is to stabilise the club on the playing side. It's going to

By STUART BROOM

take time and will be a long process, that why we needed a two year contract, but we can achieve it

"I want to test myself and the players at the highest level, but the first priority is to make sure we stay in whichever league of the Zameretto

next season and build from there.
"The budget is very, very small whichever league we are in and so we will be looking to bring youngsters through the club process whilst hav-ing a few experienced heads in the

"Andy and I want to show the youngsters that there are places in the side if they work hard, they just need to look at Jamie Frampton and Ollie Tribe who have been tremendous this

"We need to stabilise the club all the way down the chain. Not just the first team. We have a plan to restructure the club to help us achieve our aim."

Asked if caretaker manager and player Andy Harris was part of their plans for the future, Hutch said: much hope so. Andy has done a fan-tastic job in a very turbulent season and all credit to him since he took the

"He is a good friend of mine and I hope he will be at the club next season playing a part, but he is going away for the summer and have a think about it all."

On new acquisitions the former Bridport manager said: "Andy and I have been looking around already and we have a few ideas but we are naturally keeping them close to our chest at the moment. We need to add in certain areas and have already spo-

"However we have a good crop of youngsters at the club at the moment, and there is a big chance for some of these lads to make it, but there are no nromises'

West Dorset needs Weymouth to compete once again with Dorchester, and whilst it will take time for Hutch and Mace to bring them back to the fore, there will be an awful lot of people willing them to be successful



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